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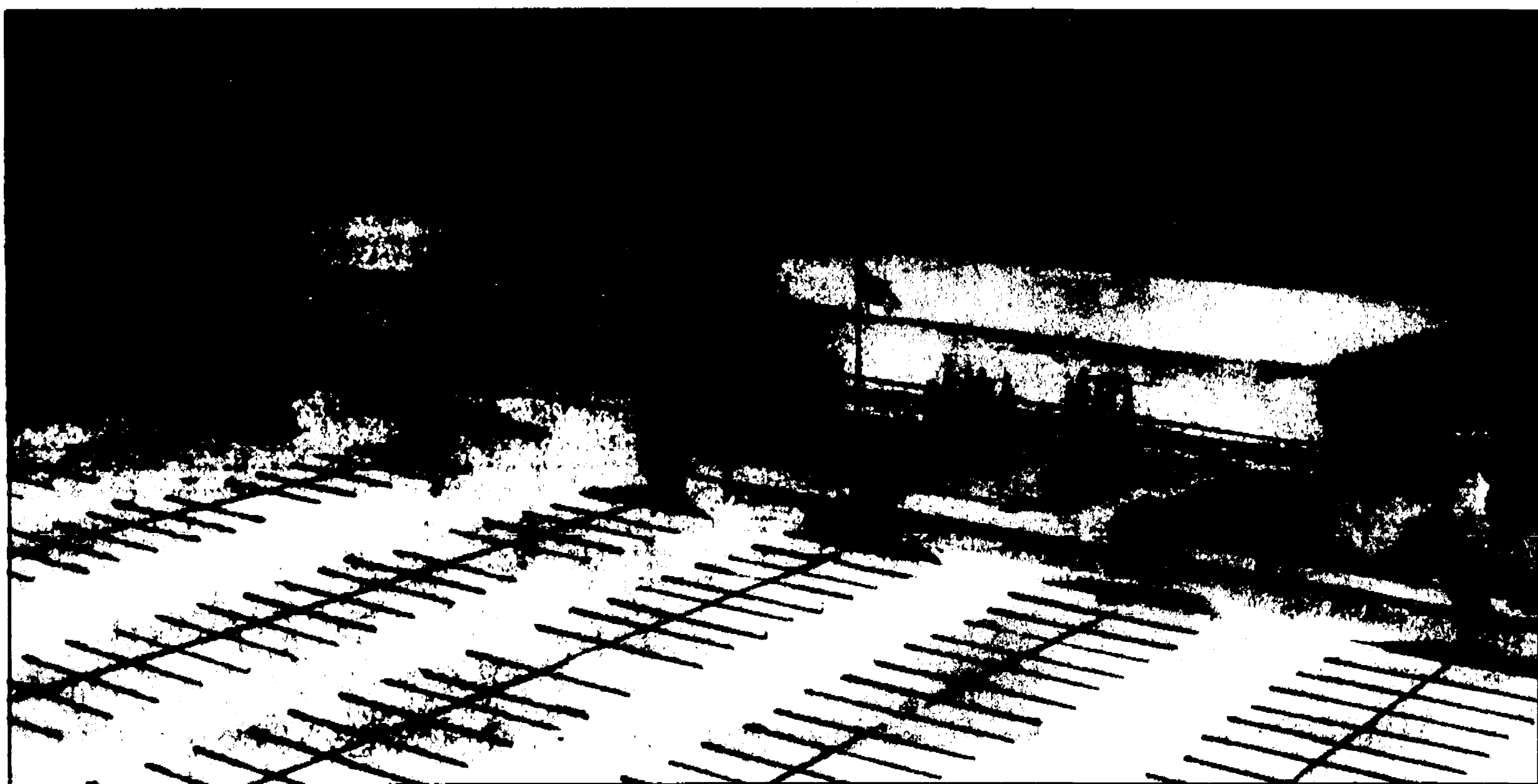
by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

It looks like there will be a special Crawford County election held to decide the fate of a proposed Crawford County Sportsplex/recreation center.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously at their Tuesday, May 13, meeting to direct the sportsplex steering committee members to proceed with the proposal to be placed on the ballot for a Sept. 9 special election.

The commissioners pointed out that they need to have the exact ballot language by their May 27 board meeting to follow the projected time line. If the wording is presented, the commissioners will also have to vote on approving or not approving the bond and millage language.

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FUTURE BUILDING? — This is the way the proposed Crawford County Sportsplex would look in the view of an area architect. This is only a proposed drawing. The public would have to approve the bond and millage before it would be built, and even then, minor changes to the look of the building could occur.

Forest Dunes' preliminary site plan approved by township

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The South Branch Township Board of Trustees voted unanimously in favor of accepting the preliminary site plan for the proposed private golf and residential community.

The developers of Forest Dunes, the private golf and country club, made the application for approval at a special South Branch Township meeting on Monday, May 12. The meeting was held in the township fire station to accommodate the approximately 150 residents who were in attendance.

Approval of the preliminary site plan is an approval of the general concept of the project. The Forest Dunes development will be a phased project, which the developer's attorney Susan Topp said means Forest Dunes will have to go before the township board and Crawford County Planning Commission for approval on the specifics of each phase.

Topp estimated that the development would take about 10 years to complete. The three phases would make up this 10-year time frame.

The first planned phase would be construction of the eastern part of the location, which is the former South Branch Ranch, including the first golf course designed by PGA

Senior Touring Professional Tom Weiskopf. The second scheduled phase would be the middle portion, which would include the village center, pro shop, club house and other items. The third and final phase would focus on the western portion of the project, specifically the second 18-hole golf course.

Some of the studies which have to be completed by the developer, such as the traffic impact study, are finished and have been submitted to the township and county. Some of the studies are being worked on, but were not complete as of Monday's special meeting.

One of the studies being worked on is the economic and community impact study. Although it is not completed, Topp explained some of the initial findings.

According to Topp, the development will provide a large influx to the tax base — estimating the development would contain \$200,000 homes — and create numerous jobs. She explained that the project price tag for completion has been estimated at \$85 million.

She said Forest Dunes, when completed, would employ more than 100 people after construction, including jobs in security, restaurant employment and the golf course jobs. According to the attorney, this does not even take into account the construction jobs which will be

created.

In addition to the Forest Dunes attorney, other agenda speakers included Crawford County Sheriff David Lovely and Health Department official Dave Gregg.

The sheriff discusses concerns which have been raised in past discussions about police protection in the area and the development.

Lovely told the audience that he contacted two other regional developments which are similar to the Forest Dunes project to ask their sheriff's about police protection. Lovely explained that these sheriff departments had not received a huge increase in calls to these developments. Garland golf development in Oscoda County was one of the places he investigated.

"Their sheriff doesn't get many calls for service, except for a few calls on traffic issues during busy weekends," Lovely said. "I am sure at the start we would face some traffic issues too."

A resident asked the sheriff if the increased tax base would increase the sheriff's patrol in the South Branch area. Lovely said that with the increase tax money coming in, then the county would have the opportunity to provide better service to everyone.

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Warbler Festival ready to begin with numerous events scheduled

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The annual Kirtland's Warbler Festival is ready to begin once again, and this year the weekend is full of different types of events to keep people entertained and teach visitors about nature.

The Warbler Festival will take place at Kirtland Community College on Saturday, May 17, and Sunday, May 18. The Kirtland's warbler, a small and endangered bird, is the namesake of Kirtland Community College (KCC).

The festival events during the weekend are designed to celebrate the gradual return of the Kirtland's warbler and its home in the Jack Pine and AuSable River ecosystem.

Although a majority of the events will take place on the weekend, a couple of events will take place on Thursday, May 15, and Friday, May 16.

Festival Featured Presenter Denny Olson will make his entertaining "Crittterman" presentations on animal ecology and natural history to schools in Crawford and Oscoda counties. Olson will perform from Grayling Middle School students at 1:45 p.m. on May 15.

Residents of Crawford County will get a chance to watch the presentation by Olson on Thursday evening. Olson will perform his role as "Crittterman" on May 15 at 7 p.m. at the Grayling Holiday Inn for the public.

An owl walk is also scheduled prior to the weekend festivities. The owl walk will begin at 9 p.m. on Friday, May 16, at the Big Creek Shooting Preserve in Mio.

The two other featured people will be among the highlights of Saturday's events. Featured Artist Gijbert van Frankenhuyzen will have his art on display for public view throughout the day. Visitors also will be able to see him at work on Saturday.

Festival Featured Photographer Jeremy Jones also will display his work on Saturday. The Crawford County man will conduct a short tour-photo clinic into the woods on the Kirtland campus.

A variety of arts, crafts and outdoor life vendors will have their works on display and for sale on the campus on Saturday, May 17. A quilt show also is scheduled at the Continuing Education Center.

A canoeing/kayaking excursion will take place Saturday at 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Participants must register in advance and meet on campus. The excursion will move to the AuSable River.

A program called "Landscaping Your Property for Wildlife" is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday and run an hour. MSU County Extension Director Roy Spangler will

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VIKING BAND -- The Grayling High School band is (front, from left) Pat Lamie, Christi Duncley, Becky Pilon, Amy Martella, Deanna Fleischmann, Karie Tinker, Jessica Becks, Ann Becks, Jessica Scott, Matt Mitchell and Natalie Kent. The second row (l-r) is Heidi Wallace, Jessica Weaver, Josh Mueller, Adria Frankina, Jill Ryther, Colleen Dale, Crystal Jones, Allison Lockwood, Katelyn Roshy, Tammy Strait, Tasha Carlisle, Erin McCarver, Amy Stevenson, Onna Ingvarsson, Amanda Fortino, Tiffany Ruark and Krys Rugenstein. The third row (l-r) is Melissa Smock, Jeremy Merithew, Vickie Carter, Sara Johnson, Jamie Anderson, Crystal Ruark, Krystal Harris, Leanna Mathews, Amy Doherty, Erin Scott, Clark Wilcox, Brandi Lewis, Kim Mallory, Marcy Mathews, Julia McAnallen and Heather Ross. The fourth row (l-r) is Brooke Ginther, Sara Eagen, J.R. Akers, Amanda Febey, Jenny Ohsowski, Marianne Vollmer, Danielle McClain, Dawn Adloff, Mike Boerger, Heidi Englund, Sara Jones, Nick Nickert, Mary Dobry, Morris Nettleton, Brandy Plutko, Carrie Hellebuyck, Tricia Griesemer, Arica Burkett, Gretchen Ross, Kasi Peterson, Jon Britton, Jared Medler, Danielle McClanahan, Mike Knight, Colby Davis and Ryan Gaffke. The fifth row (l-r) is Jenny Lech, Tim Ormsbee, Sam Moore, Monica Kustra, D.J. Canfield, Robert Doherty, Ryan Casey, Joe Hughes and Paul Niederer. Standing (l-r) are Bethanie Black, Melissa Ostwald, Mo Harwood, Colin Hunter, Andy VanGuilder, Sarah McGuire, April Gosling, Dennis Ormsbee - director and Karen Ross - assistant director. Not pictured are Angie Floriano, Neil Jozsa, Amanda Moggo and Sarah Wells. See band story on page 12A.

Parenting groups offered at New Life service

Do you wish there were other parents you could talk to and share your joys and your woes with? Did you make a New Year's resolution to be a better parent?

"The most important job of our lives is the one for which we have the least training." This is how the Rev. Jacquie Guernsey, counselor at New Life Community Service and former teacher, describes the job of parenting. New Life Community Service in Grayling offers parenting support and education through the Strong Families/Safe Children Program. Classes began the second week of May.

"The dilemma for many parents," said Guernsey, "is that the only models we have for parenting come from our own parents. We want our children to love us, so we become too permissive and therefore teach selfishness and manipulation; or we want to protect our children and become too controlling, thus courting rebellion."

"The goal of these classes is to look at a better way of preparing our children to become successful adults. Youngsters need to take responsibility for their own behavior, have a sense of

self-worth, and have the ability to make intelligent decisions. Young people with these skills are much less likely to fall prey to the dark side of our society," Guernsey said.

The facilitator of the parenting groups, Jacquie Guernsey, is a parent of four children, has been a public school teacher for 26 years, and a family counselor for eight years.

How to develop cooperation, positive relationships, self-confidence and independence for all family members, are some of the topics that will be discussed. There is a \$10 registration fee which covers two individual sessions and six group sessions. This fee is refunded when the parent completes the class.

General Parenting classes will be offered on Mondays which start May 12. Parenting Your Teenager will be on Wednesdays which start on May 14. Step Parenting will be on Thursdays which start on May 15. All groups run from 7-8:30 p.m. Parents can register for classes by calling New Life Community Service at 517-348-2544.



WINNING EXERCISE -- MaryAnn Bloomquist, owner of HardBodyz, presents Chuck Amman with his winnings. Amman won a contest after he successfully completed a trek from Grayling to Key West using exercise equipment at Hard Bodyz.

Amman completes ride to Key West on bike

by Lisa Hoffman
Staff Reporter

Chuck Amman, Grayling, recently completed a trek from Grayling to Key West.

The 1,743 mile trek was completed at Hardbodyz Health and Fitness as part of a contest.

The contest, which started in January, pitted participants against each other, as well as themselves. Each participant racked up miles using a stationary bike, treadmill or other exercise equipment. However, all the miles had to be completed at the gym and verified by a staff member. Once the miles were completed and verified they were logged in a book and posted on a map of the United States.

Contestants had to pay \$20 to enter, but once they completed 500 miles they received a 2 cents per mile refund.

"I rode the bike because miles added up faster on the bike than on other pieces of equipment," Amman said.

The contest was supposed to last 26 weeks. However, Amman completed the ride before the deadline.

Not only did he receive a slimmer physique and a 2 cents per mile refund, but he also received a dinner for two and a one night stay at the Grayling Holiday Inn for winning the contest.

By April, Bruce Patrick was the contest leader, but he fell off his bike in Florida over Easter Break and broke his collarbone.

"This contest gave me an incentive to workout regularly. I was coming to the gym four days a week, but once the contest started I came to the gym religiously six days a week," Amman said.

Those participating in the contest were Bruce Patrick (1,235.25 miles), Edward Smiddy (777.5 miles) and Gretchen Reiser (156.85 miles).

"We'll start again in September, but this time we'll go across the United States, maybe from San Francisco to Norfolk, Va.," said MaryAnn Bloomquist, owner of HardBodyz.

This contest is only for members of the health and fitness club.

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Area fishing club turns 100-years old

The 100th annual meeting of the Recreation Fishing Club was held on Saturday, April 26, at the club house on the Main Stream of the AuSable River.

The annual meeting went off as usual, even though it was the centennial happening. The club has a different event scheduled for later this year when the centennial celebration will occur.

Club President David Hendrickson presided over the April 26 meeting and was re-elected to the president position.

Other officers elected were Vice President Rex Thatcher of Bay City, Finance Chairman James Alexander of Oscoda, House and Grounds Committee Matthew Pollard of Manistee and Richard Bolten of Clarkston.

Abner Sager of Grayling was elected as secretary/treasurer for the 52nd year. He has been a member since 1937, the longest period of active membership in the total of 135 members since 1898.

Jim Larson, chairman of the Centennial Committee, announced that a catered dinner with the ladies is planned for Saturday, Aug. 2. There will be entertainment and a review of the history of the club, which was formed by a group of 12 fishermen from Grayling, Gaylord, Saginaw and Detroit.

The first by-laws were adopted at a meeting on July 10, 1898. Frank Calkins of Gaylord was a guide and was elected as the first president. John Hum of Grayling was elected as the secretary/treasurer.



GREENHOUSE DONATION -- The Weyerhaeuser Company donated \$1,000 to the 4-H Garden Club recently. The money will be used to build a greenhouse. Pictured (front, from left) are Donna Clark, assistant garden club leader; Cheryl Melroy, assistant garden club leader, Kathi Moss of Weyerhaeuser; Kathy Prause, garden club leader; Gaye Pizzi and Nancy Persing, both of the MSU Extension office. Those in the club are (second row, l-r) Nicole Bobenmoyer, Sean Coe, Molly Coe, Brady Coe, Jamie Wyss and Annah King. The third row is Chelsea VanNuck, Evie Clark, Jessica Banda and Jessica Bobenmoyer. The back row (l-r) is Jeff Weaver, Dustin Pizzi, June Clark, Summer Coe, Elizabeth Banda and Chelsea Currison.

photo by Lisa Hoffman



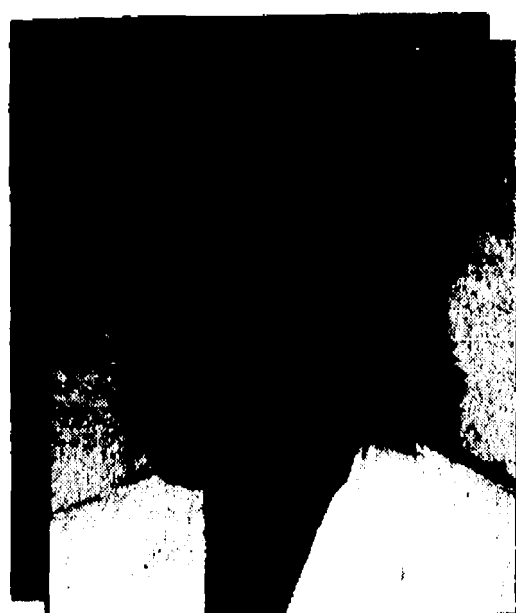
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ANNOUNCES.....

Dr. Kausar Suleman,

specializing in general internal medicine, is accepting new patients at NMHS Grayling Primary Health Care facility at 308 E. Michigan Avenue, (Keyport Clinic Building) Grayling, MI.

Dr. Suleman completed her internal medicine residency at St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital Center, New York, N.Y. in June 1996, and is board eligible in internal medicine. She has special interests in women's health and geriatrics.



Dr. Kausar Suleman

Appointments Can Be Made By Calling 517-348-4110

ATTENTION IT'S SPRING CLEAN-UP TIME IN GRAYLING TOWNSHIP

The annual spring dates for the disposal of used household appliances and furniture will be held at the GRAYLING TRANSFER STATION on North Down River Road, Friday, May 23, 1997, from 2-8 pm, and Saturday, May 24, 1997, from 8 am until 4 pm.

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OPINIONS EDITOR



ALMANACK

Richard Milliman

Gov. Engler in favorite spot: Out front

WHAT'S THAT strange object with all those tentacles out there in the middle of the table?

Why, it's Gov. John Engler's plan to solve Michigan's highway mess.

Mr. Engler has unveiled a program which he claims will produce about \$570 million more a year to repair Michigan's deteriorating highways and build new ones.

Raising the state gas tax from 15 to 19 cents a gallon would bring in \$200 million. Hiking truck taxes and fees would realize \$130 million. Increased federal road dollars would add another \$200 million. And a variety of other reforms and efficiencies would produce the final \$30 million or so.

That's the Engler arithmetic, which probably is a bit optimistic, but it's a larger kitty for roads than anybody else has suggested so far.

BUT THERE'S more, and that's where adoption of the Engler plan probably faces its stiffest hurdle.

The governor wants the state to take over maintenance of about 23,000 miles of roads and highways now under the jurisdiction of local government, mostly counties. That would include any federal money that goes with them.

Who's more responsive to local road needs? As could be expected, state highways folks think they do a better job, while local road folks think they do.

Most motorists don't care one way or the other, as long as the roads are smooth.

The base problem with local resistance to state control may have dollar signs attached.

The current state formula for distributing Michigan's 15-cent gas tax is 39.1 percent to counties, 21.8 percent to cities and villages, and 39.1 percent to the state.

Mr. Engler wants 10 cents of the proposed 19-cent gas tax to stay with the state, with cities and counties sharing the rest.

Local units would get more money for each mile of road under the Engler plan, but with less miles and fewer actual dollars.

Control and money. Local folks don't want to lose either.

Thank may be the toughest question in the entire Engler package.

AS FOR THE gas tax increase itself, public resistance may not be nearly as severe as the reluctance of

elected legislators to vote for it.

Michigan's 15 cent state gas tax was set in 1984. High among states is Connecticut with 39 cents, low is Georgia with 7.5 cents. Michigan's ranks 45 among states; 19 cents would move Michigan to 28.

The 4-cent hike would cost most drivers probably less than \$50 a year.

Higher taxes are not politically popular. As recently as January, Mr. Engler was staunchly opposed. The Almanack at the time described the governor's position on road problems:

"His solution offered in the State of the State message: A little jiggling of state funds here, a little jiggling there, a dollop of cost cutting, and more federal money."

But road deterioration is widespread. Drivers are growing louder with complaints. Few public figures reacted with more than negative rhetoric.

Talk arose of a referendum for a gas tax hike. Sen. Walter North of St. Ignace proposed a statewide vote 6-cent hike.

Most legislators ducked.

"It makes no sense to be in front on that issue," said Speaker Curtis

Hertel in January.

A road improvement vacuum existed, waiting for an action coalition of some sort to form.

MUCH AS A shifty halfback spotting a hole in the line, Gov. John Engler has grabbed the ball and taken off on a run for the end zone.

Whether he scores a touchdown or is thrown for a loss is yet to be determined.

The Engler highway program commands many descriptions.

It's bold. It's daring. It's complicated. It's far-reaching. And it's about time.

But perhaps the most accurate description of the Engler highway program is precisely that:

It has become "the Engler highway program" ... an action proposal where none existed, to solve a genuine problem that does exist and is getting worse.

Mr. Engler and his ideas are now the center of the road debate.

No matter the merit of the proposal, that's leadership.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

It is becoming prime time for Lyme (Disease)

To the editor,

Lawn tools, camping gear and summer clothes are being removed from storage across Michigan. Since May has been dedicated Lyme Disease Awareness Month, the Michigan Lyme Disease Association would like to remind the public that we are entering the prime months of exposure. Awareness is our best protection.

Prevention: Avoid exposure. If not, wear light-colored clothing with pants tucked in socks or boots and long-sleeved shirts buttoned at the wrists and neck. Protective head gear is also recommended. Use repellent containing DEET on exposed skin and clothing. Follow container directions carefully.

Avoid tall vegetation, both in the wild and where it encroaches your home, out-buildings and property. Mowing and trimming makes the area less attractive to wildlife and the many insects capable of transmitting disease.

Incorporate tick-checks on yourself and loved ones as part of your daily hygiene routine, especially during peak months and following events of possible exposure. Remove insects promptly. If it's a tick, removal with a pair of tweezers is recommended by gripping the mouth parts carefully and slowly pulling the insect away from skin. If mouth parts become detached, disinfect and call your physician when possible.

The tick can be sent to Linda Parady,

22603 Madison, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081, for identification and culturing for Lyme Disease. Just place the tick in a clean, closed vial with a blade of grass. A pin hole in the cap will prevent suffocation.

Early symptoms are any combination of the following: headache, nausea, fever, a spreading circular rash, aching joints and muscles and fatigue. Prompt treatment with oral antibiotics can prevent later complications and expensive medication. Untreated, the body-wide infection can involve the heart, brain and literally every body function.

The Michigan Lyme Disease Association, a non-profit organization formed and comprised of volunteers who either have Lyme themselves or have a family member with Lyme, would like you to know that the future is looking brighter in the expanding Lyme picture.

At the national level researchers are working daily to find more effective diagnostic tests and treatments. At state level MLDA is available to the public through a hot line number for information on the disease itself, local support groups, surveys of hot spots, literature and public speakers.

For further information phone or fax 1-517-793-7890.

Jan Monson, Vice President of the Michigan Lyme Disease Association

VIEWPOINT

by James Briney, Managing Director of The Road Commission For Crawford County

Getting more done - here's what and how

Three years ago it was clear The Road Commission For Crawford County needed to become increasingly more responsive to the needs of the public. Providing better maintenance on a rapidly deteriorating road system was and is the key to demonstrating that we hear what you are saying and that we are able to see what must be done, within the scope of all available resources.

Although it is relatively easy to run a road agency when the revenue is flowing thick and fast, the challenge of this decade is to improve on basic services in the face of declining revenue. Your Road Commission has figured out how to continue to provide or improve two dozen basic services on the total road system, while completely reconstructing some roads and bridges. We do it by concentrating our resources on safe operations with trained personnel using better materials and equipment, which are most suited to the tasks we perform. At the same time, private contractors are competing aggressively on construction projects, resulting in less cost and quicker results.

Organizing to take on the tremendous amount of potholes this spring included sticking with certain tasks, at specific times. Between snow storms over the last weeks of another harsh winter, Road Commission crews were out patching. In April, during one two day period alone, over fifty-three tons of patch material was used.

This spring over five hundred tons has already gone into the local and primary road system and over one hundred tons into the state trunkline system, which is maintained by The Road Commission. Throughout the year we are responding quickly and consistently to fill new holes, as they are created by the forces of nature.

People tend to associate Road Commission responsibilities with snow plowing in the winter and blading roads in the summer. But, in every season, there is much more being accomplished by Road Commission crews, comprised of your friends and neighbors, than many notice. Following is a list of 24 maintenance activities The Road Commission For Crawford County provides, directly and indirectly, throughout the non-winter seasons:

Blading gravel roads, repaving and maintaining bridges, operating two brine wells, brush and tree trimming, adding clay to hold sandy roads, sealing cracks in paved surfaces, replacing culverts and delineator posts, ditch maintenance, dust control, facilities repair and improvements, gravel patching, litter pick-up, mowing, centerline and edge stripe painting, black top patching, maintaining two rest areas and rights-of-way fencing, mixing salt and sand, maintaining gravel shoulders, fabricating, installing and replacing signs, improving stream crossings and sweeping intersections, bridge decks and paved roads in

populated areas are all activities requiring top notch equipment and materials. Because your Road Commission is organized to focus attention on these important safety tasks, private contractors are accomplishing more road and bridge construction in our county.

This year for example, you will see 1.62 miles of North Higgins Lake Drive rebuilt and

Townline Bridge replaced. These are costly projects requiring significant financial participation from The Road Commission and others. Through a very competitive process, The Road Commission For Crawford County was successful in getting \$200,000 toward the North Higgins Lake Drive Project. Only \$500,000 was available statewide for such work. We were in competition with the major urban counties and many other rural counties. The matching funds required to be eligible for this particular program came to \$50,000. The Townline Bridge project is using grants in excess of \$100,000. Road Stream Crossing projects at five sites this year will cost \$104,000. Over \$83,000 of that amount is coming from a variety of grants.

Having The Road Commission work

force available to perform the maintenance tasks necessitated by an aging road and bridge system contributes mightily to our ability to fulfill our duty under the law, which is to provide a reasonably safe and adequate road system. By mid-summer you will see major improvements on the worst portion of North Higgins Lake Drive completed.

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| • Blading | • Delineator posts | • Patching blacktop |
| • Bridge repair | • Ditch maintenance | • Rest areas |
| • Brine well operation | • Dust control | • Rights-of-way fence |
| • Brush & tree trimming | • Facility upgrades | • Salt and sand mixing |
| • Claying | • Gravel patching | • Shoulders |
| • Country curb removal | • Litter pick-up | • Signs |
| • Crack sealing | • Mowing | • Stream crossings |
| • Culvert installation | • Painting | • Sweeping |

The replacement of the temporary bridge on Townline Road is set for completion by fall. These projects were selected because they qualified for matching funds from a variety of sources. As more funds are sought and become available, we will continue to do more.

With your help, we have identified the needs and are determined to pick them off one at a time, road-by-road and bridge-by-bridge. In the meantime, less dramatic work is being accomplished every day. You may not realize the scope of the work involved, one sign at a time, but your Road Commission is replacing faded, bent and damaged advance warning

signs throughout Crawford County. A new truck, specifically built to do this and other sign work for many years to come, has been acquired. A federal grant, earned with the assistance of the Michigan Department of Transportation will pay for the labor, equipment and material used on this important safety project. We applied for the maximum of \$100,000 and

have been approved for over \$99,000.

We expect you will notice this activity accomplished by The Road Commission work force this spring, summer

and fall. We ask that you drive safely all the time, especially in the vicinity of all road crews and the young people we hire each year to assist with traffic control. As we become even better at doing everything we can to maintain the existing road and bridge system in our county, keep in mind the real need for us to work well together so we can accomplish what none of us can do alone. Townships, The Road Commission For Crawford County, MDOT and others are beginning to understand that together we can do more, sooner, by sharing information and resources for road purposes. Because of thoughtful cooperation, we are in fact able to celebrate

improved service and increased project work, at a time when our one certain source of revenue, the gas tax, has not increased in thirteen years. We receive no money from the property tax.

Over the winter a few citizens have come to the public meetings of the Board of County Road Commissioners. Even more have visited The Road Commission for tour, to see what has been done to improve the services cited above. As the weather remains more welcoming, please know that you are welcome to have your questions answered and to see for yourself what we are doing, how we are doing it, and why. With their teachers, elementary age school children have visited The Road Commission. Senior members of the community have taken time from their morning coffee groups to tour our facilities. Taxpayers who are just plain interested, have asked important questions and seen and heard the answers for themselves. You are invited to do the same.

If you would like to arrange a tour for yourself, service club or organization, just call The Road Commission at: 348-2281. We will do our best to accommodate you.

Mr. Briney has served as Managing Director of The Road Commission For Crawford County since September of 1994.

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Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by Friday noon to be considered for the next issue. Please use every other line.

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be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid in advance or they will not be published. Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday, 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday, 5 p.m.

Correction

The front page story in last week's Avalanche can be clarified, so as to point out that the Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics has made no decision on whether to be involved with an operation at the Grayling Army Airfield. For reason of clarification, the Bureau of Aeronautics may or may not open an operation. A decision by any organization or agency to handle civilian aircraft will not be made until Crawford County is completely off the airfield.

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BRIEFS

Area churches celebrate birthday

In celebration of Pentecost, the birthday of the church, there will be a gathering on Pentecost Sunday, May 18, at the Assembly of God Church in Grayling, beginning at 6 p.m. Combined choirs from participating churches will present "God With Us." A free will offering will be accepted that evening.

Bindschatel graduates from FSU

Kenneth R. Bindschatel, Frederic, graduated from Ferris State University on May 10, with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

Boater, watercraft safety course offered

On May 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Milltown Marine the Coast Guard Auxiliary will do a free marine examination of boats and other watercraft for safety reasons.

Casey earns degree from Adrian

Caleb E. Casey received a Bachelor of Arts degree, cum laude, in English from Adrian College. Casey is a 1993 graduate of Grayling High School and the son of Gerald and Ginger Casey of Grayling.

Choir concert date changed

The Grayling High School and Grayling Middle school choir concert and fine arts awards will be held May 27 at the GHS auditorium.

Critterman to perform May 15

The 1997 Kirtland's Warbler Festival and the Holiday Inn invite the citizens of Crawford County to see Denny Olsen in his role as Critterman on Thursday, May 15 at 7 p.m. at the Grayling Holiday Inn. Critterman will also perform for Grayling Middle school students at 1:45 p.m. on the same day.

HARVEST to be in concert

Jerry Williams and HARVEST will be in concert at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 21 at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium. Tickets are a \$3 donation and on sale at Stevens Family Circle.

Law enforcement to be memorialized

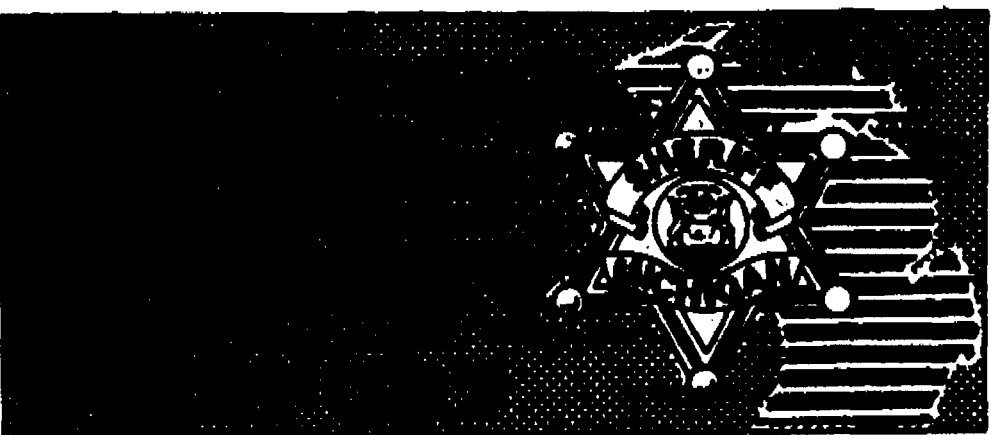
Sheriff Dave Lovely will host a law enforcement Memorial Day ceremony, to memorialize police officers, on Thursday, May 15, at noon in the parking lot of the Sheriff's Office.

Police collectors to hold swap meet

A Police Collectors Swap Meet and Exhibit will be held Sunday, May 18 at the Holiday Inn in Grayling from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Old and new police, fire and EMT badges, patches and memorabilia will be on display. Proceeds will benefit the Law Enforcement Memorial Association. The event is sponsored by the Kirtland Community College Criminal Justice Club and the Law Enforcement Memorial Association.

U of M announces degree candidates

Joshua Edward Wyss, Grayling, was recently announced as a University of Michigan degree candidate for a Bachelor of arts in the College of Literature, Science and the Arts.



The Sheriff's Department of Crawford County dealt with the following 102 incidents from May 5 through May 12:

Fire (2), PartKidnap (1), Burglary (3), Larceny (5), Forg/Count (1), Property Damage (4), Obscenity (1), Obstruction of Justice (1), Public Peace (2), Hit and Run Accident (1);
OUIL/OUID (3), Citations (2), Health and Safety (18), InvalPriv (5), Conservation (2), MiscCrim (2), Insane (1), Accidents (11), Non-traffic Accident (2), Parking Violation (1), TrafSafPR (1), False Alarm (2), In-spVeh (1), Civil/FT (8), Suspicious Situation (7), Lost/Found Property (2), Missing Person (1) and General Non-Criminal (12).

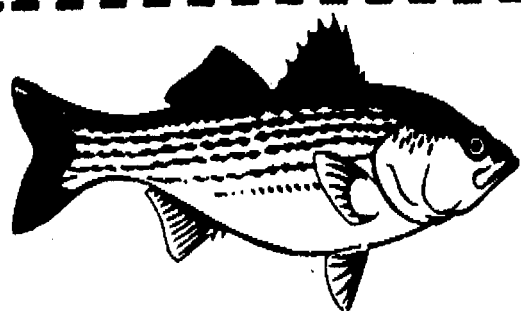
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Playground information debated

To the editor,

This letter is regarding the letter in the May 1 issue of the Avalanche. The issue is playground equipment at AuSable Primary and Grayling Elementary.

It seems that the people who wrote this letter have a problem. Well I have a big problem with this letter. The people who wrote it are misinformed about what is going on. A good way to be informed is to attend the parent's meetings that are held every first Monday of the month. Your questions would have been answered in any one of the last nine meetings.

I don't remember any of the names listed as ever being at any of these meetings. As you put it, the taxpayers

were not let in on the decision. Well once again, parent meetings are held on the first Monday of every month.

It is the parent's group that decides what to do with the money that they have raised. I also want to say to the three women that did come to the meeting on May 5, you are not only misinformed; you are also rude. I assume you came to discuss this issue, but you couldn't last longer than 45 minutes into the meeting. So you just got up and left during a gentlemen's presentation on a future project for our children.

Bring your voice to the meetings. You are welcome at all the meetings.

Angel Lighthall,
Grayling

Help found when truck trouble happened locally

Dear sir,

In the early hours of Feb. 13, my husband and I encountered truck trouble. We were at least 23 miles from the nearest town with a broken fan belt. As we limped along at 3-5 mph, a few trucks asked if we had any trouble but no one offered any assistance until Jim Apps came along. After he asked the problem, he gave my husband directions to your shop. Then he contacted your mechanic for us.

When we got closer to Grayling, Jim was in radio contact with my husband and gave excellent directions. It had taken almost an hour and a half to get to Grayling. Because of the length of time, Jim had relayed a message back to us that if we couldn't make it to send word and he would come out and get us. The temp by this time had dropped to -26 degrees outside.

When we got to your shop he let us sit in his truck to warm up while he finished his job. Then he took us to his home and warmed us up with coffee and conversation until 8 am when your mechanic could get in. He told us about the town and his job. He is a walking, talking endorsement for your company, he almost made us wish we lived closer so we could work for you.

This young man deserves a large pat on the back. He showed concern for complete strangers, yet he still completed his job with no interruptions. He represented you and your company in an excellent way.

Jim was not the only employee of yours that was an asset to you that morning though. Your shop foreman, Ed, and the mechanics did also. It was an awful day and they were very busy. But they all were very polite and courteous even when things went wrong. They wound up putting three

different belts on because of problems with length and parts houses that weren't listening. In the four hours we were in your shop I never heard one man of yours curse, and on a day like that it could have been quite frequent.

Mr. Fick, you are a lucky man to have a great crew like this working for you. They are a definite asset to your company and their community.

Sharon and Ed Knight,
Antigo, WI

Editor's Note: This letter was actually written to Charlie Fick. Permission was given to print the letter by the Knights, because the Grayling workers were such ambassadors to the Grayling community.)



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Monday, May 17

THURS. 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •AUSABLE PRIMARY KINDERGARTEN grandparents' concert, AP cafe, 2 pm. •15TH ANNUAL BOARD OF EDUCATION recognition night, Joseph Stripe Auditorium, 7 pm. •ACT REGISTRATION DEADLINE for June 14 test. •PLAY GROUP meets • Michelson Memorial Methodist Church, 2-3 pm. Call Joell Gabriel • 348-6389, for more information. •AMICARE HOME HEALTHCARE Community Bereavement Support Group meeting • St. Mary's Learning Center, 3-5 pm. •TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. Call Mary Kay • 348-1398 for more information. •SUPPORT GROUP MEETING for Fibromyalgia & Chronic Fatigue Immune Dysfunction Syndrome patients & families • Mercy Hospital cafeteria, 7 pm. Call Laura • 348-7423 for more information. •"BEYOND THE GARDEN WALL CLUB" • Michelson Memorial Church, 7 pm. For information call 348-7905. •GRAYLING RECREATIONAL AUTHORITY meeting • Hanson Hills, 7 pm. •CRAWFORD COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY • Mercy Hospital private dining room, 1-3 pm •STEP PARENTING CLASS • New Life Community Service, 7-8:30 pm. Call 348-2544 for more information.
FRI. 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •TAKE A SPRING STROLL through downtown Grayling, and check out all of special shops. •AUSABLE PRIMARY KINDERGARTEN grandparents' concert, AP cafeteria, 2 pm.
SAT. 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •OPEN LAKE MARGRETHE PROPERTY Owners Association meeting • Camp Grayling Officers' Club, 9:30-11 am., with speakers & refreshments.
SUN. 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
MON. 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GENERAL PARENTING CLASS • New Life Community Service, 7-8:30 pm. Call 348-2544 for information. •KIWANIS CLUB meeting • Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. •AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS meeting • COA office, 1:30 pm. •FE PARENTS' GROUP meeting • 11 am. •SCHOOL BOARD MEETING • MS conference room, 7 pm.
TUES. 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •WEIGHT WATCHERS MEETING • St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West. Weigh-in, 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. for more information call Sandy, 348-5321. •ROTARY CLUB meeting • Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •COA BOARD MEETING • Senior Citizen Center, 308 Lawndale Dr., 5:30 pm. •LIONS CLUB MEETING • Breakers Steak House, 6:30 pm. •PARENTING YOUR TEENAGER CLASS • New Life Community Service, 7-8:30 pm. Call 348-2544 for more information. •ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH card party • the church, 12 noon.
WED. 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S Association dinner meeting • • 6:30 pm. •CONCERNED CITIZENS for Animals meeting • Milltown Groomers, 7 pm. For more information call 348-4117. •ABCs OF PARENTING CLASS • AuSable Primary, 6:30-8 pm. •HS BAND CONCERT & Fine Arts Awards Night, Joseph Stripe Auditorium, 7 pm.

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From the Calvary Baptist Church

Is Genesis true?

Darwinism gave the world the theory of naturalistic evolution which rejects supernatural creation of man in God's image in Genesis 1 and 2. Marxism is trying to replace the free market approach of man's dominion over God's creation as God ordered in Genesis 1:28. Freudian psychology approached mental and emotional problems from a sexual and secular perspective and rejected the spiritual root of sin and total depravity in Genesis 3. Modern Feminism rebels against God's order for the home, Genesis 2:18, and God's judgment upon Eve's rebellion in Genesis 3:16. Much labor saving technology is human attempt to end God's judgment upon Adam's sin which caused man to earn his bread by the sweat of his face, Genesis 3:19. Cain's hatred and murder of his brother Abel destroyed 25% of the world's population, yet the "Cains" of today are defended and

their violence is being blamed on things like guns or knives. Vegetarians and animal rights advocates reject God's will for humans to both kill and eat animals, Genesis 9:2,3.

After humans filled the earth with sin and violence God chose to destroy the existing civilization, Genesis 6:1-8. God's salvation of the family of Noah by grace, and God's judgment of death upon all other humans by a universal flood in Genesis 6 is ridiculed just as God promised, 2 Pet 3:3-7. God's ordering of capital punishment as the basis for human government to punish and control evil, is rejected today, Genesis 9:5,6. The danger of alcohol and God's first judgment upon sodomy taught in Genesis 9:20-25 are rejected today. God's condemnation and judgment upon universal religious and political unity at the tower of Babel in Genesis 11 are now rejected for ecumenism and globalism.

G. H. Pember, wrote over a hundred years ago in 1875 his book, "Earth's Earliest Ages" exposing Satan's first and final strategy to weaken and destroy our faith in God's Holy Scriptures. Do we believe the God of the Bible or the gods of this world system? "Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices." (2 Corinthians 2:11). Will we, like Christians of the past, accept God's moral authority in our daily lives or will we become that faithless generation Christ warned us about in Luke 18:8. We ought to believe and obey God rather than men. (Acts 5:29b)

Pastor "B"

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DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

by Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter, North Higgins Lake State Park

There have been at least two species of hawks around my neck of the woods for some time now, but one of the hawk-type birds I have been watching for is the Sparrow Hawk or American Kestrel. They really prefer land that is semi-open and the area around home is just that type, with open fields and patches of woods. Around the first of the month, the first one for the season made its appearance as it hovered over a nearby field. Sparrow Hawks find favorable habitat throughout the western hemisphere except for the Arctic regions.

Of all our predatory birds the Kestrel is considered by many to be the most colorful. Keep in mind that the male is only 10-inches long from beak to tail while the female is 12-inches from beak to tail. The male has slate-blue

wings and russet back. The tail opens to show black and white checked and striped undersides. The larger female is marked in a similar fashion. Both sexes have black eye spots giving them the appearance of having eyes in back of their heads. The bill is sharply hooked and notched. Like other raptors they have powerful clawed feet with long opposable hind toes allowing them to firmly grasp their prey.

Despite the name of Sparrow Hawk, 80 percent of its diet is rodents, (mice, voles, and rats). They also feed upon small birds, grasshoppers, crickets, beetles, dragonflies and even large spiders. The Kestrel is one of our few hovering raptors, but it can fly at a comfortable 25 miles per hour. Hovering above a field or perched high-a-top a pole or tree, its eye sight allows it to see a mouse with the same clarity you would get from eight power binoculars. The truly amazing thing about their eyes is that they are able to zoom from telescope to microscope as they dive upon prey.

There is some doubt regarding their mating for life, because the males are seen performing graceful power dives

and swoops for three or four females. Mating may precede egg laying by four to six weeks. The Sparrow Hawk is the only falcon to nest in old woodpecker holes or other natural cavities in trees. The three to seven buff-colored eggs with brownish-shaded areas require 30 days for incubation. Both sexes incubate the eggs and feed the young. Three weeks after hatching, the young weigh as much as their parents. By the time they leave the nest (about one month after hatching) they weigh more than their parents.

The family stays together to some degree for the summer as the young learn the techniques necessary for survival. By the next spring the younger generation, if still living, have dispersed to other areas seeking mates and food. Despite having few natural enemies the average life span is only a little over a year. They are tough little birds that survive all types of man made and natural problems to do their intended job of rodent control. They are an interesting bird and fun to watch as they patrol or survey a field so keep an eye out for them.

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Hebrews 6:12 beseeches us to "show the same earnestness in realizing the full assurance of hope until the end, so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises." Life is seldom perfect. We must have faith in God's purpose for our lives and utilize the power and patience He has given us to reach our goals one step at a time.

Your goals are attainable. Praise God each Sabbath in His house. Never lose sight of home.

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Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Christian Science Society
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor J. Douglas Paterson
400 Michigan Ave.
348-2974
Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45-10:45 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Stramel
Phone 348-4445
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service 9:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Tues 7 p.m.

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children 7 p.m.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
600 North Elm St., Gaylord
Sacrament 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Primary 11 a.m.
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Grayling Christian Fellowship
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Sunday 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

St. John Evangelical Lutheran (ELCA)
Pastor Sherry McGuffin
710 Spruce St. - Phone 348-5224
Bible School 9:15 a.m.
Adult Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Nursery is available

Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
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Church School 9:45 a.m.
Preaching 11 a.m.
Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

Gaylord Christian Reformed
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415 Ohio North
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church
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702 Peninsula - 348-7657
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Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Services 7 p.m.

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patty Petrie, 348-8314
Holiday Inn, Grayling
Sunday 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Mid-Week Services
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed) 7 p.m.

Church of Christ
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Old US 27 at Skyline Rd
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Sunday Worship 11:15 a.m. & 12 noon
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday
Mid-week Bible Study 7 p.m.

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M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Sunday Service 10 a.m.

The Church of Christ with the Eliza Message
Pastor Duane E. Weaver
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Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday School 7 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7 p.m.

Abundant Life Tabernacle
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Harvest Time Church of God
Pastor Fred Coates
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship Service 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Family Training Hour and Prayer, Wednesday 7 p.m.

Lovell Chapel
Pastor Rev. D. Dean Courney
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Chapel Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7-8 p.m.

Free Methodist
Joseph Carpenter - Pastor
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(M-72 West) Phone 348-5362
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Service 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 p.m.

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Rev. Paul Boerger, Pastor
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348-5921 or 348-6504
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday Weekday School 5 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 9 a.m.
Thursday Women's Bible Study 9 a.m.
Thursday Men's Promise Keepers Study 7 p.m.

St. Francis Episcopal
Rev. Robert Hensley
M-72 West Office 348-5850
Sunday Holy Eucharist
8:30 & 10:30 a.m.
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Children's Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
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GMS puts on A Midsummer Night's Dream

Actors from Grayling Middle School put on Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" on Friday and Saturday, May 9 and 10 at the Grayling High School Joseph Sripe Auditorium.

The play was performed with two casts. The characters were played by the following: Narrator No. 1 - Michelle Stepp, Fath - Cody Myers, Hermia - Lexi Bondar and Penny Rosin, Lysander - Joe Pilon, Helena - Ashley Wolcott and Gina Rosi;

Quince - Sam Cross, Bottom - Lori Hinkle and Anna Fortino, Flute - Jenny Wheeling and Jennie Gibbons, Straveling - Melissa King, Snout - Alexis Summer, Snug - Cody Myers; Puck - Nate Mueller and Forrest Thompson, First Fairy - Danielle Beckwith and Kira Maples, Oberon - Kenny Heinlein, Titania - Bridgette Reed and Rachel Ramaswamy, Peasebottom - Andi Holzbauer and Ashley Beemer;

Cobweb - Kim Hatfield and Janelle Gregorich, Moth - Tracy Austin and Kristin Lee, Mustardseed - Ashley Linkhart and Heather Merchant;

Fairies - Amanda Gasser, Danielle Lepsy, Sarah Lepsy and Colleen Rogers;

Sprites - Forrest Thompson, Ashley Beemer, Janelle Gregorich, Heather Merchant, Kristin Lee, Rachel Ramaswamy, Bridgette Reed, Andi Holzbauer, Kim Hatfield, Tracy Austin and Ashley Linkhart;

Demetrius - Jon McNamara, Narrator No. 2 - Carrie Muse, Duke Theseus - Michelle Stepp and the townspeople - Penny Rosin, Gina Rosi, Anna Fortino, Jennie Gibbons, Lexi Bondar, Ashley Wolcott, Lori Hinkle, Jenny Wheeling and Sonya Saladine.

The cast and crew of the production is as follows: Director - Stacey Rosin-Gay, Assistant Director - Sarah Kaiser, costumes - Bonnie French, Marti Gosling and Terri Gibbons, makeup - April Gosling;

Set design - Mark Binert and the Grayling High School Art Club, scenery construction - John C. Gay, Brett Black, Brad Hebel and Kevin Jansen;

Stage crew - Jenna Bugyi, Bitsy Hellebuyck, Brett Black, Brad Hebel and Kevin Jansen;

Lighting - Sam Moore and Evan Glicker, tickets and posters - Bob Gorski, programs - Bonnie French and ticket sales - Marilyn Rosi.



PLAY CAST AND CREW -- The cast and crew of the Grayling Middle School production of A Midsummer Night's Dream is Michelle Stepp, Cody Myers, Lexi Bondar, Joe Pilon, Ashley Wolcott, Gina Rosi, Sam Cross, Lori Hinkle, Anna Fortino, Jenny Wheeling, Jennie Gibbons, Melissa King, Alexis Summer, Cody Myers, Nate Mueller, Forrest Thompson, Danielle Beckwith, Kira Maples, Kenny Heinlein, Bridgette Reed, Rachel Ramaswamy, Andi Holzbauer, Ashley Beemer, Kim Hatfield, Janelle Gregorich, Tracy Austin, Kristin Lee, Ashley Linkhart, Heather Merchant, Amanda Gasser, Danielle Lepsy, Sarah Lepsy, Colleen Rogers, Forrest Thompson, Ashley Beemer, Janelle Gregorich, Heather Merchant, Kristin Lee, Rachel Ramaswamy, Bridgette Reed, Andi Holzbauer, Kim Hatfield, Tracy Austin, Ashley Linkhart, Jon McNamara, Carrie Muse, Penny Rosin and Sonya Saladine. The crew of the production was Stacey Rosin-Gay (director); Sarah Kaiser (assistant director); Bonnie French, Marti Gosling and Terri Gibbons (costumes); April Gosling (make up); Mark Binert and the Grayling High School Art Club (set design); John C. Gay, Brett Black, Brad Hebel and Kevin Jansen (scenery construction); Jenna Bugyi, Bitsy Hellebuyck, Brett Black, Brad Hebel and Kevin Jansen (stage crew); Sam Moore and Evan Glicker (lighting); Bob Gorski (tickets and posters); Bonnie French (programs); and Marilyn Rosi (ticket sales).



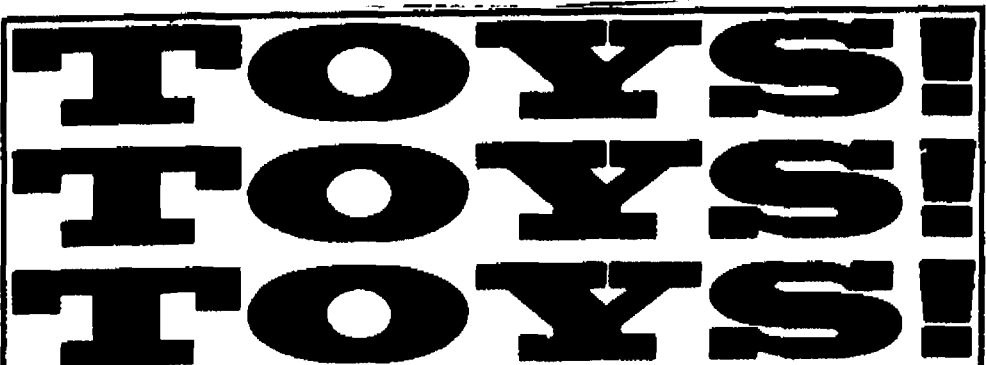
DANCING FAIRIES -- Peasebottom, Cobweb, Moth, Mustardseed and the Fairies -- played by Andi Holzbauer, Kim Hatfield, Tracy Austin, Ashley Linkhart, Danielle Beckwith, Amanda Gasser, Danielle Lepsy, Sarah Lepsy and Colleen Rogers -- dance as part of the Grayling Middle School production of Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream.



PERFORMING FOR OBERON -- Quince (Sam Cross), Bottom (Lori Hinkle), Flute (Jenny Wheeling), Straveling (Melissa King), Snout (Alexis Summer) and Snug (Cody Myers) practice a play that will be performed in front of Oberon. The performance was part of A Midsummer Night's Dream.



WAKING FROM SLEEP -- Oberon (right) sprinkles a magic potion into the eyes of Titania. Oberon was played by Kenny Heinlein and Titania was played by Bridgette Reed.



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To Stacey Rosin-Gay and the
entire cast and crew of the GMS
play. You all did a wonderful job.
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New owners named for Enchanted Forest

The owner of Enchanted Forest has
got a new partner.

Bo Jyla and Lanice Rutter are now
teamed up as the owners of the uptown
Grayling business.

Jyla is the former owner of
Grandma's Dolls. Rutter is still with
Flowers by Josie.

The Enchanted Forest has for
purchase gifts, children's books, toys,
stuffed animals, cards, stationary and
jewelry.

Exchange involves local residents

Nineteen Michigan counties,
including Crawford, will be
represented at the 1997 Sichuan,
People's Republic of China
International Children's Painting
Exhibition.

Children from all over the world
were invited to participate. Seventy-
seven pieces of Michigan children's
art were sent to China in April. Local,
young artists selected to send their art
to China are Jessica Baker, Jim Boylan,
Jordan Klemish, Nick Parkinson, Cory
Shear, and Linsey Smith, from
AuSable Primary School, and Emily
Dunckley and Dane White, from
Grayling Elementary School.

Artwork that focused on caring for
the environment or friendship among
the world's people was encouraged.
However, children could choose any
theme for their artwork, as long as it
represented something important in
their lives.

This art exchange program is
coordinated by the Michigan State
University Extension 4-H Youth
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Even though the temps refuse to warm to seasonal highs, the rivers are getting into good condition for fishing, they are still a little high but clear! For the most part the bait fishing has been getting better & better. However, when fishing with minnows or crawlers you must slow your presentation down some from normal, the fish are a little slow because of the cold water.

For the fly fisherman, streamers are the choice for most of the time, but when the afternoon sun warms the air just a little bit, we have some very good hatches of small Blue Winged Olives, also Hendrickson's and some Black Stone Flies.

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Seasonal flood threat on the rise in Michigan

Unfortunately, Michigan did not escape the ravages of flooding last year. According to the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness, Michigan experienced 84 flood events during 1996, including one last June that resulted in \$20 million of damages in the thumb and Saginaw Valley areas.

This time of the year can bring an increase in the possibility of a flood. Gov. John Engler recently declared a week in March as Severe Weather Awareness Week in Michigan. Residents were and still are encouraged to familiarize themselves with flood safety procedures.

Crawford County also recently took some action against the devastation a flood in the area could cause. The Crawford County Board of Commissioners approved a resolution at their April 15 board meeting applying for flood insurance through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

At this time of year, the heavy spring rains can cause dramatic rises in streams and rivers, significantly increasing the threat of flooding. As the warm season progresses, heavy thunderstorm rains become more dominant, posing the additional threat

of flash flooding for urban areas and small streams.

"Michigan can experience flooding any time of the year," said George Hosek, a member of the weather committee. "The most recent severe flooding event occurred last June and it found many people unprepared to face the consequences."

Residents should be aware that regular homeowners insurance policies do not cover damages which result from flooding. Coverage is available through FEMA; however, in Michigan only about 10 percent of structures subject to flooding are actually insured against the risk.

If the application from Crawford County is approved by FEMA, any county resident will be able to get flood insurance from his or her own insurance carrier.

Currently there are approximately 700 Michigan communities participating in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and 22,000 policies in force. To purchase flood insurance under the program, residents must live in one of those participating communities.

Under the NFIP, a flood is defined in part, as "a general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from overflow of inland or tidal waters or from the unusual and rapid accumulation or runoff of surface waters from any source."

In the standard flood insurance policy, direct physical losses by "flood" are covered. Also covered are losses resulting from erosion caused by waves or currents of water exceeding anticipated cyclical levels or erosion accompanied by a severe storm, flash flood, abnormal tidal surge, or the like. Damage caused by mudslides (mudflows), as specifically

defined in the policy are covered.

Losses from water seepage, sewer backup, or hydrostatic pressure are covered only when they occur in conjunction with a general condition of flooding.

In addition to obtaining adequate insurance protection, residents should take the following precautions in anticipation of flooding:

• Learn the best route from the home or place of business to high, safe ground in case persons have to evacuate in a hurry.

• Prepare and maintain a list of personal property to substantiate losses covered by insurance.

• Familiarize household members with turn-off procedures for gas electricity.

HEALTHLINE

Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

Question: My children have been diagnosed with pinworms. What are these worms and how did they get them?

the pinworms on the buttocks by using a flashlight at night while the child is sleeping. A parent may also notice scratching in the rectal area or a scratched and irritated skin. A child may have no symptoms at all.

A physician can diagnose pinworms by inspecting transparent adhesive tape that has been applied to the perianal region first thing in the morning before bathing. Eggs may be visible by observing the tape under a microscope. Your physician may also examine a stool specimen for eggs. Once diagnosed, pinworms can be eliminated with appropriate medication.

If pinworms occur in your family, make sure your children wash their hands before preparing or ingesting food or liquids. Nails should be kept short and nail-biting or scratching the bare buttocks should be discouraged.

Any family members infected should be treated. Daily morning showers are preferable to tub baths. Clothing, underclothing, sheets, bedding, pajamas, etc., should be changed frequently. Houses should be cleaned and vacuumed daily after treatment of pinworm cases. Bathrooms need to be kept very clean.

Answer: Pinworms are the most common worm infection in the United States. They are usually found in school-age children and may affect all socio-economic classes. If one family member is infected, chances are that another family member is also harboring the worms.

Pinworms are not transmitted to people by any type of dog, cat, or other animal. Instead, they are spread by a child's hand that has picked up the infective eggs while scratching. These eggs are then transmitted to another's hands or mouth. At this point they can make their way into the digestive system of another person.

Eggs may also be transmitted indirectly through contact with someone's clothing, toys, bedding, food, or any article contaminated with the eggs. Once ingested, pinworm eggs hatch in the small intestine. A mature female worm will actually migrate out of the rectum at night causing itching. The itching may disturb sleep. A parent might notice

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New location announced FES jumps for funds

Burning Bush Tabernacle recently announced their new location. As of Sunday, May 18, services will be held at the new church home located at 501 E. Michigan Ave.

This Sunday's service will be followed by a potluck dinner.

Services are at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday with Wednesday night Bible teaching at 7 p.m.

The Rev. Robert Klug will be ministering in the May 18 service at 6 p.m. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

46TH CIRCUIT COURT

Appearing before Judge Alton T. Davis in April:

Wayne Ronald Stratford, of Fraser, found guilty of Breaking and Entering with Intent. Sentenced to three years probation, 11 months in the county jail with 108 days credit; fees - \$360 court costs and \$60 for the crime victim fund.

Appearing before Judge Francis Walsh in April:

Ryan Scott Steiger, Roscommon, found guilty of Larceny in a Building, sentenced to six months (serve three months forthwith and three months held in abeyance, 36 months of probation; fined - \$360 court costs, \$60 for the crime victim fund and \$645 attorney fees.

Darryl Gene Wakeley, Grayling, found guilty of OUIL, third offense.

MERCY HOSPITAL BIRTHS

Heather Little of Roscommon is proud to announce the arrival of Tashiana Marie Little, born on April 25, 1997.

Ronald and Michele Evans of Houghton Lake are proud to announce the arrival of Alesha Renee Evans, born on April 28, 1997.

Larry Lubitz and Susan Burzlaff of Mio are proud to announce the arrival of Benjamin Gordon Lubitz, born on May 3, 1997.

Sentenced to 12 months in the county jail (credit for two days served) and 36 months probation; fined - \$500, \$360 court costs, \$60 for the crime victim fund and \$645 attorney fees. Will have in house counseling.

Matthew James Soule, MDOC, prisoner possess contraband. Sentenced to 12-60 months in MDOC. Sentenced to run consecutively with Lapeer, Tuscola and Saginaw county sentences; fined - \$150 forensics.

The Frederic Elementary School Jump Rope for Heart program held in the schools gymnasium on Tuesday, May 6, raised \$1,300 for the American Heart Association.

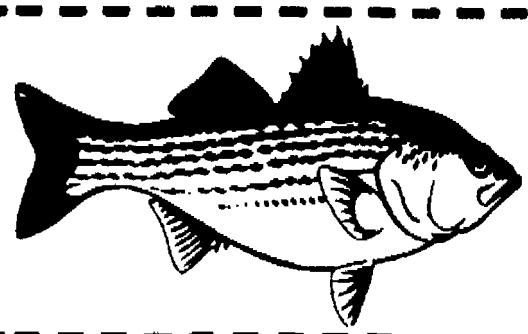
The program, organized by Mike Neff the school's physical education teacher, had 35 students involved.

Becky Doremire collected the pledge envelopes, counted the money and kept track of the permission slips.

"It wouldn't have gone so smoothly without her," Neff said.

Barb Domicik and Lorraine Cassidy kept the participants supplied with drinks and cookies and helped turn the double dutch ropes.

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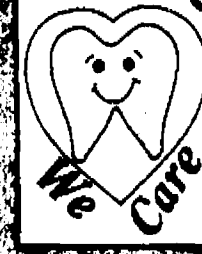
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MILITARY NEWS

Marine Staff Sgt. Michael S. Wesolowski, son of Corinne J. Wesolowski of Roscommon, recently received the Life Saving Award from the Prince William Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Prince William County-Greater Manassas, Va., Chamber of Commerce, while serving with Marine Security Battalion, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico, Va.

Wesolowski saved the life of a distraught man, who had attempted suicide. Wesolowski's actions before medical help arrived saved the man's life.

Wesolowski also received his second Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for his outstanding performance as a military police officer. He was recognized for

his security services at the Marine Corps marathon and his role in the life saving incident.

The 1984 graduate of Roscommon High School joined the Marine Corps in October 1984.

Navy Petty Officer Third Class Patrick T. Creasy, whose wife, Michele, is the daughter of Robert D. and Marilyn A. McNeill of Roscommon, recently received the Navy Good Conduct Medal.

The Good Conduct Medal recognizes the servicemember's honest and faithful service during a three-year period. To earn it, Creasy achieved and maintained a satisfactory level of performance and an unblemished conduct record for the entire period.

Creasy is currently assigned with Tactical Air Control Squadron 11, Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado, Calif.

The 1990 graduate of Mandeville High School of Mandeville, La., joined the Navy in December 1993.



DIABETES CARE — Cheryl Melroy, RD (left) and Rhonda Haske, RN (middle), received an achievement certificate for diabetes care at Mercy Health Services North - Grayling from Ann Scott, director of TIPDON.

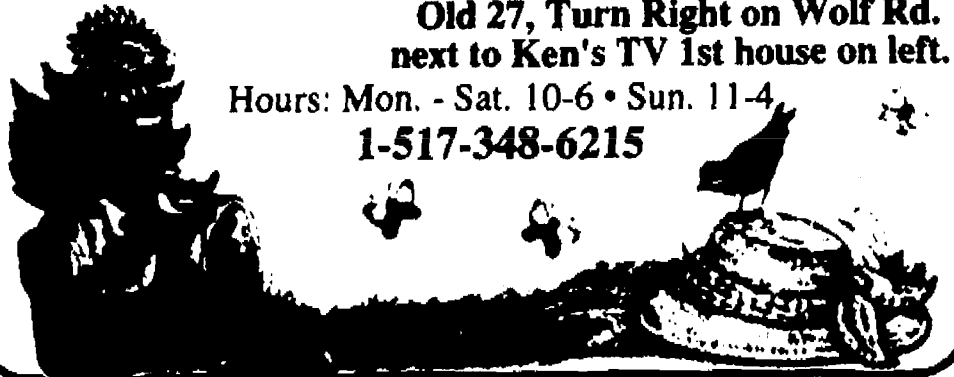
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Bill unveiled to battle juvenile crime

At today's unveiling of legislation targeting juvenile crime, the head of the House Democratic Crime Task Force said any such proposal needs to be community-based and crafted to allow for flexible approaches to a variety of problems.

Rep. Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) held a news conference in the Capitol on May 8 to spotlight legislation titled the Families First Juvenile Offender Control and Prevention Act, a bill he called both "tough and smart" in battling juvenile crime.

One of a series of Democratic legislative initiatives that focus on helping the American family, the measure would provide funding to local communities with a simple grant

process, allowing them to tailor programs to their local needs.

"In my district in northern Michigan, the biggest problems are underage drinking and teenage pregnancy," Stupak said. "In South Central Los Angeles the biggest problem is gangs."

"Local law enforcement agencies and officials know what their needs and priorities are. It's our duty to help them meet those needs."

Stupak said the legislation, the product of dozens of brainstorming sessions over the past three months, tapped the knowledge of juvenile crime experts around the country. It is modeled on two successful programs, a community-based juvenile crime-fighting effort in Boston and

Community Oriented Policing Services, commonly known as COPS.

"In Boston there has not been a murder committed by a teen-aged perpetrator since July 1995," Stupak said. "This and other aspects of the community program sent a clear message that we need to help other communities launch local programs."

The legislation was offered as an alternative to a bill proposed by Rep. Bill McCollum (R-Fla.).

"Our proposal is both tough and smart," he said. It's tough, Stupak said, because it would help hire more police officers, juvenile judges and probation officers, and it would help city attorneys to pursue civil remedies against gang-related activities.

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Grayling Recreation Authority News

by Cindy Olson

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SUMMER PLAYGROUND - Let your children have the best summer of their lives at Summer Playground. Registration is now open. Playground begins June 17 from 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

YOUTH SOFTBALL - We will play on Friday evenings beginning May 16 for six weeks. We are still accepting late registrations.

T-BALL - For grades K-2 (including anyone who will be starting Kindergarten this fall). Early registrations dead line is May 9. We will play on Saturdays beginning May 31 for six weeks.

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL - Anyone interested in playing women's softball, please call us at 348-9266.

MEN'S SOFTBALL - League is forming. Please register your team by May 19. Play begins Monday, June 2. There is a meeting on May 19 at 7 p.m. in the Main Lodge at Hanson Hills for everyone interested in playing and coaching a team.

HANSON HILLS CHALLENGE TRAIL RUN - Saturday, June 7 at 9 a.m. Registration is now open. The five-mile challenge is over the sandy, hilly terrain of the cross country ski trail marked yellow. The three-mile run is over the less challenging cross country trail marked green.

BICYCLE TRAIL - Our new bicycle trail is now open. It begins just past the end of the cross country ski trail marked brown. It is temporarily marked with orange surveying tape. The trail is approximately three miles long. Trail construction is about one-third single track, two-thirds existing cross country trails and two tracks.

In Loving Memory of
Christopher David Pomerleau
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Grant me O God, the heart of a child, pure and transparent as a spring; a simple heart, which never harbours sorrows; a heart glorious in self-giving, tender in compassion; a heart faithful and generous, which will never forget any good or bear a grudge for any evil. ♥

Grant me, O Lord, the mind and heart of thy dear Son. ♥

Card of thanks

On Tuesday morning, May 6, Harold and I left for Jackson to visit our parents, approximately 3 hours after we left, we had the misfortune to have our home destroyed by fire.

However, thanks to the joint efforts of our area fire departments, the contents and personal belongings were all saved. We have collected antiques many years. We also had family pieces that to us were irreplaceable, everything was saved.

We are so thankful. Thanks also to Pat Eiler, our mail carrier who reported the fire and a friend, Ernie Spratto, who happened by and hosed the fire until help arrived.

We wish to thank everyone who assisted on our behalf. We just can't say enough "Thanks".

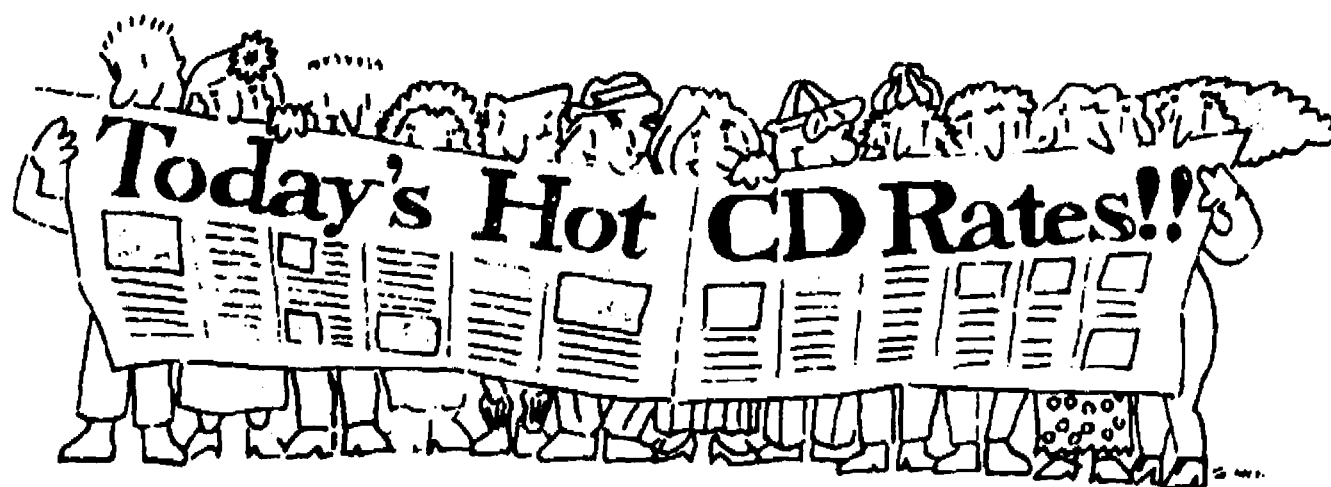
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Card of thanks

We would like to thank each and everyone who sent cards, flowers and phone calls to and for Tom Roby during his surgery. It was greatly appreciated.

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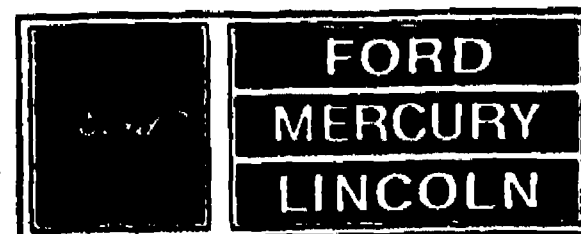
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Special election nearing reality

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The ballot would contain two proposals, which is required, to make the sports complex a reality at the Crawford County Fairground location. The special election ballot would contain a question asking for a \$6 million bond over 30 years and a second question asking for .45 mills over 10 years for operating expenses. The "Citizens for Crawford County Sportsplex", which is the official name of the steering committee, has determined what the bond issue and millage proposal would mean to taxpayers. The members stated, "An average house at \$60,000, taxable valuation at \$30,000, would calculate to \$4.35 per month or \$52.20. This means the taxpayer would pay approximately \$1 per week the first year."

The sports complex — which would include an ice rink, swimming and wading pools, a walking track, conference room and an all-purpose gymnasium — does not have an official name yet. The steering committee members are planning to run a contest to include the residents in the naming of the proposed facility.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: *Courtesy is contagious...so let's start an epidemic.*

Happenings at the Center and announcements of things to come: Birthday dinner and RSVP auction on May 14; Lovells satellite on May 16 and legal help at 1:30 at the Center; on May 18 come for the Sunday potluck at 4 p.m. The Out-To-Lunch Gang goes to Gaylord on May 19; Western dance with Tina on May 20 at 5:30 and the COA Board meets at 5:30 on May 21.

Stop by or give us a call if you have any questions, need help or just for fun! (308 Lawndale - 348-7123 or toll free 1-888-355-4500) Remember, if your life isn't becoming to you...you should be coming to us.

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 - 20 - Breaded Fish/Kielbasa Baked Dinner
 - 21 - Stuffed Peppers/Baked Chicken
 - 22 - Spaghetti w/meat sauce/Oven Pork and Veggies
 - 23 - Swiss Steak/no dinner

Warbler Festival is full of activities

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show how wildflowers, shrubs, trees and landscaping will attract wildlife to a person's back yard.

Some of the events in Crawford County include Kirtland's Warbler tours at the Holiday Inn in Grayling, conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The tours will begin at 7 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

A loon/eagle/owl walk is scheduled

for Saturday, May 17 at 7 p.m. The walk will take place a Wakeley Lake which is 10 miles east of Grayling. Hartwick Pines State park will host the Toad and Frog Workshop at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 18.

The location of the festival, KCC, is located where the four counties of Crawford, Roscommon, Oscoda and Ogemaw meet. Persons should watch for the roadside festival direction signs to find the location.

Band completes rewarding travels

The Grayling High School band was invited to perform at the 29th Annual Western Michigan University Spring Conference on Wind and Percussion Music during April.

"It was a humongous honor for the Grayling band to be invited to play because only two bands in the state are invited to play each year," said conductor Dennis Ormsbee.

The band played at the James W. Miller Auditorium and was supported by numerous parents that traveled to WMU.

"The programs announcing which bands were to perform at the concert went to over 700 schools in Michigan," Ormsbee said.

The conference's guest composer and conductor was Stephen Melillo. Each band had to play one piece written by Melillo.

After a successful concert the band traveled to Chicago for fun, as well as education.

The musicians went to Chicago Symphony Hall where they heard flutist James Galloway.

Another site the musicians visited was the Museum of Science and Industry. The band also went to the top of the Sears Tower, the second tallest building in the world and ate at the Medieval Times dinner theatre.

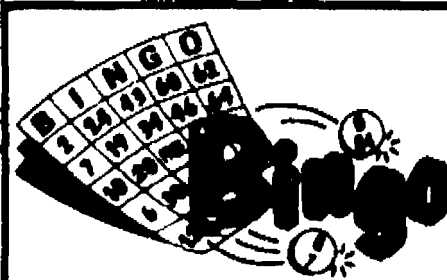
Golf course site plan approved

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Gregg answered questions at the meeting about water quality, but he said more detailed answers would be available after the groundwater and water quality study is completed.



According to Gregg, the developer will hire a consultant to collect the data concerning water quality, and the health department and Department of Environmental Quality will process the data. This will provide better answers to water quality concerns.



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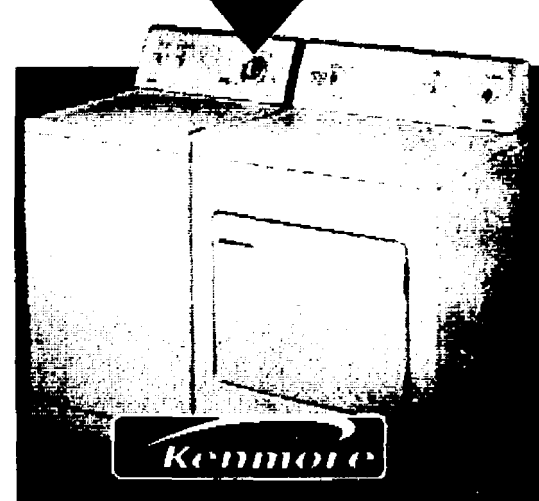
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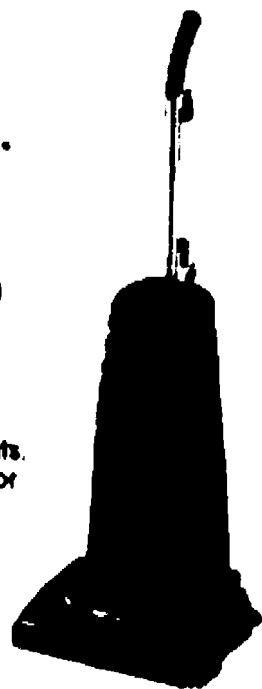


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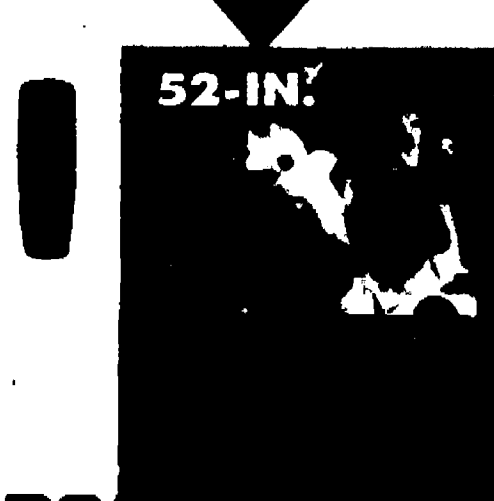
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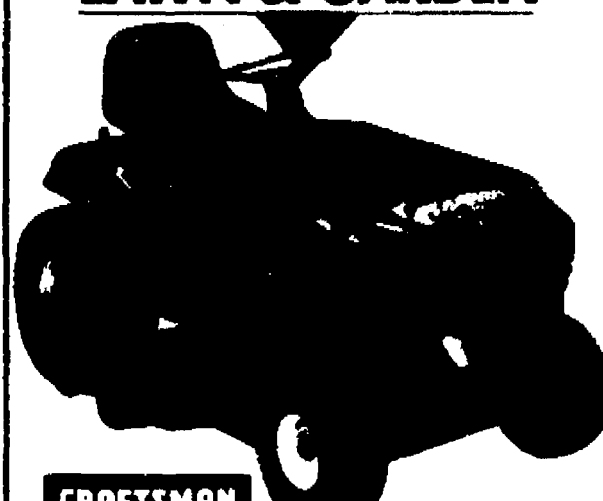
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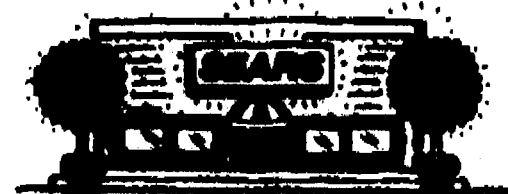
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Section B - Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, May 15, 1997

Top Ten students named for GHS graduating Class of '97

Patrick L. Lamie

Valedictorian Patrick L. Lamie, 18, son of Thomas and Julie Lamie plans to attend the University of Detroit, Mercy and major in architecture.

Lamie earned the Insignis Scholarship.

As a student at Grayling High School he was a member, as well as the president of the band council and the National Honor Society. He was also involved in soccer, school plays and various band activities.

Lamie earned an academic letter all four years of high school and was a member of the North East Michigan Conference All Academic Team.

He also assists with youth soccer.



Brad Alan Larm

Salutatorian Brad Alan Larm, 17, the son of Jeff and Candy Taylor and Darrell and Heidi Larm, plans to attend the College of Engineering at Michigan State University.

As a student at Grayling High School Larm was a member of the National Honor Society and the North East Michigan Conference All Academic Team. He received an academic letter, boy's state and was nominated for Hugh O'Brien.

Althetically Larm ran cross country and played basketball and baseball. As a baseball player Larm was named to the All-District, All-Region and All-State teams.

Larm also enjoys golfing and fishing.



Grace Mary Galvani

Grace Mary Galvani, 18, daughter of Grace Galvani and Walter Galvani, plans to attend Kirtland Community College and eventually become an occupational therapist.

She was a member of the National Honor Society and earned the academic letter as well as the Torch and Bar.

Galvani worked backstage for school plays. She also sewed costumes and help create the sets for the plays.

She volunteers as a fix-up person for the Commission on Aging. Galvani also tutors other students.

Galvani also enjoys crafting, reading and photography.



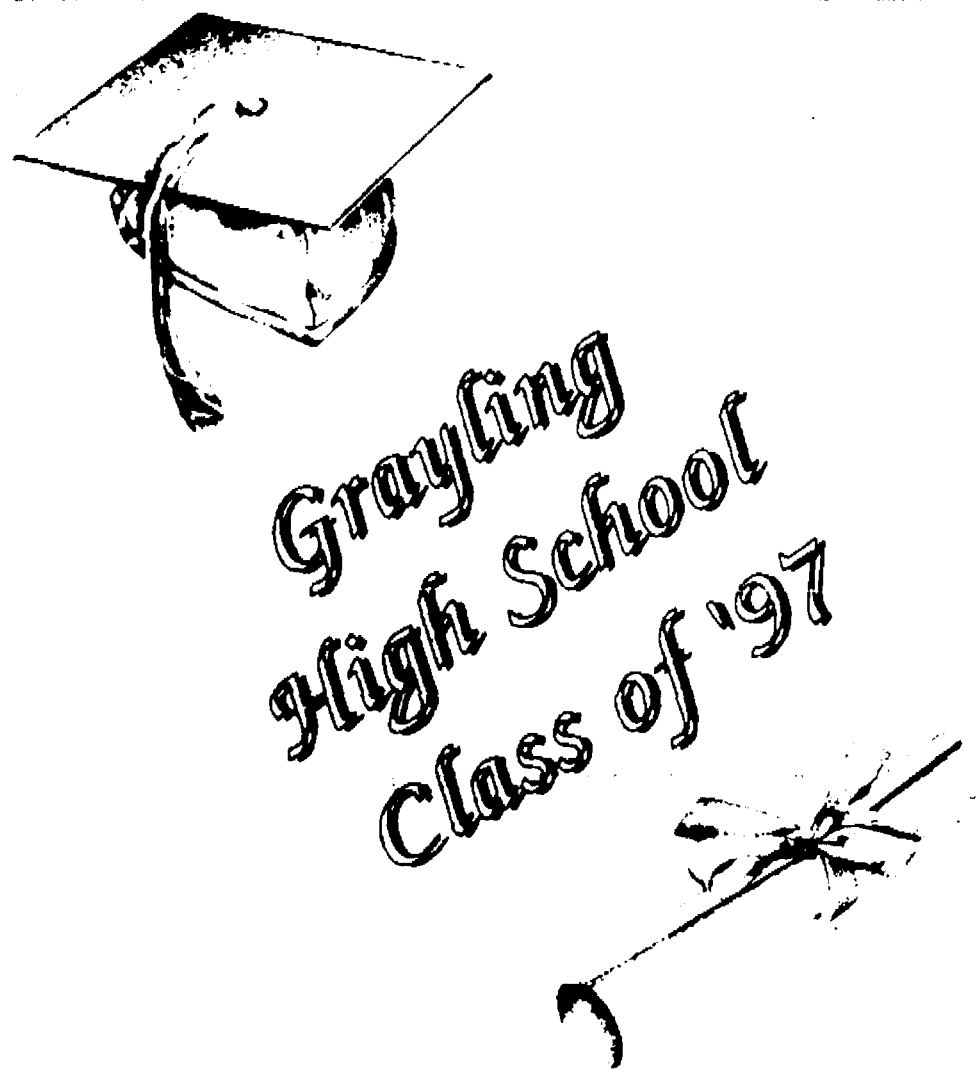
Benjamin Robert Haskell

Benjamin Robert Haskell, 17, son of Thomas and Tina Haskell, plans to attend Central Michigan University. He is undecided on a major.

Haskell has received the Central Academic Scholarship.

As a student at Grayling High School Haskell was a member of the football, basketball and baseball teams. He has also been a member of the National Honor Society for two years and participated in Boy's State.

Haskell is a member of the Academic All-State Team. He enjoys golfing, skiing and fishing.



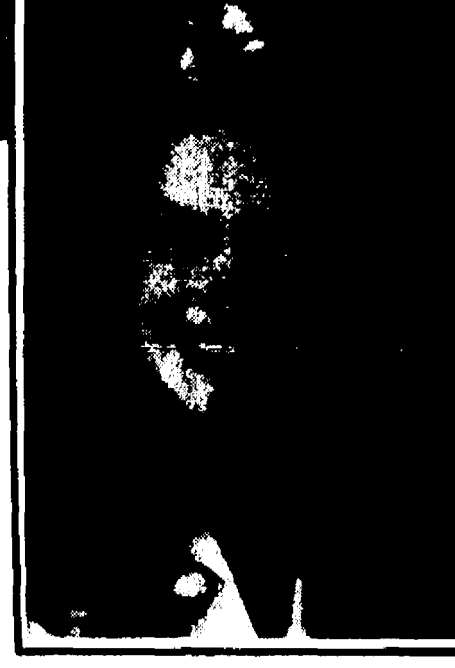
Andrea Mae Knepper

Andrea Mae Knepper, 17, daughter of Clifton and Rebecca Knepper, plans to attend Pioneer Service School established by the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York where she will receive intense Bible training to help her continue her volunteer work.

She volunteers through her religious organization and helps with Hospice.

Knepper is a member of the National Honor Society, earned an academic letter and was nominated for Girl's State.

Knepper enjoys reading, traveling and her work at a Grayling jewelry store. She is also a Spanish tutor.



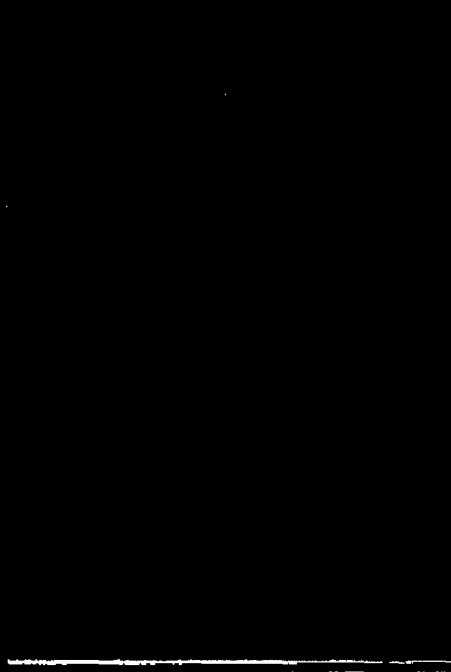
Christy M. Kustra

Christy M. Kustra, 17, daughter of Gilbert and Nancy (Brashaw) Kustra, plans to attend Western Michigan University and major in political science/pre-law.

To help finance her education she earned the WMU Academic and Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation scholarships.

While a Grayling High School student she was a member and secretary of the National Honor Society and was involved in Youth In Government and drama.

She is a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students, North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team and was nominated for Girl's State.

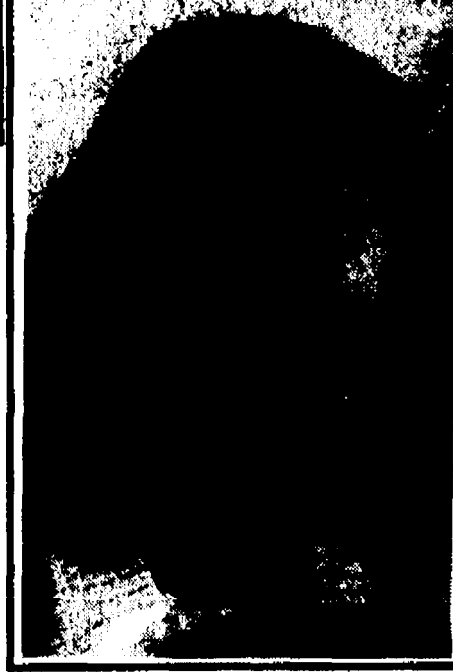


Julia S. McAnallen

Julia S. McAnallen, 17, daughter of Sandra McAnallen and Thomas Close, plans to attend the University of Michigan and major in engineering.

McAnallen is a member of the National Honor Society and was a Super Student of the Week, a member of District II Honors Band, Who's Who Among American High School Students and is a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

While a student at Grayling High School McAnallen was involved in Youth In Government, band, soccer, cross country and drama. She is also an elementary Spanish tutor.

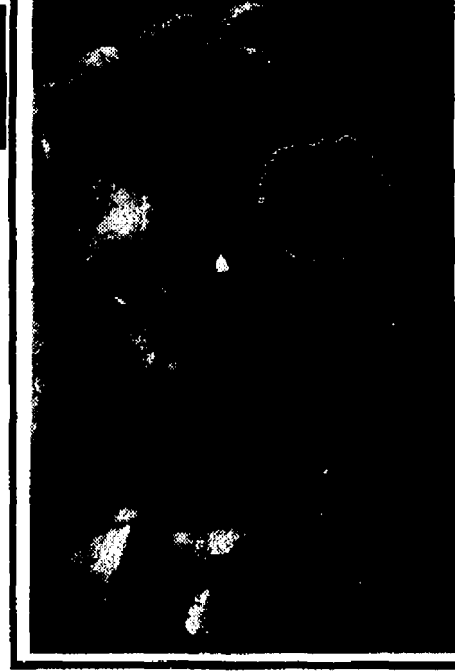


Jessica Marie St. Germain

Jessica Marie St. Germain, daughter of Gerald St. Germain and Deborah St. Germain, plans to attend Western Michigan University.

To finance her education she earned the Western Michigan University Excellence Award Scholarship and a Board of Trustees Academic Honors Scholarship for Central Michigan University that she did not accept.

While a student at Grayling High School St. Germain was a member of the National Honor Society and the North Eastern Michigan Conference All-Academic Team. She was also involved in basketball, volleyball and softball.



Deborah Ann Schreiner

Deborah Ann Schreiner, 17, daughter of Karl and Marge Schreiner, plans to attend Pensacola Christian College and major in piano.

Schreiner is a member of the National Honor Society and select choir, was named January Staffer of the Month (yearbook), won an academic letter and was nominated for Girl's State while a student at Grayling High School. She was also involved in school plays.

Schreiner volunteers for Adopt-A-Highway clean up, as a Sunday School and junior church teacher and plays the piano for church services. She enjoys reading, photography and writing stories and also tutors other students.



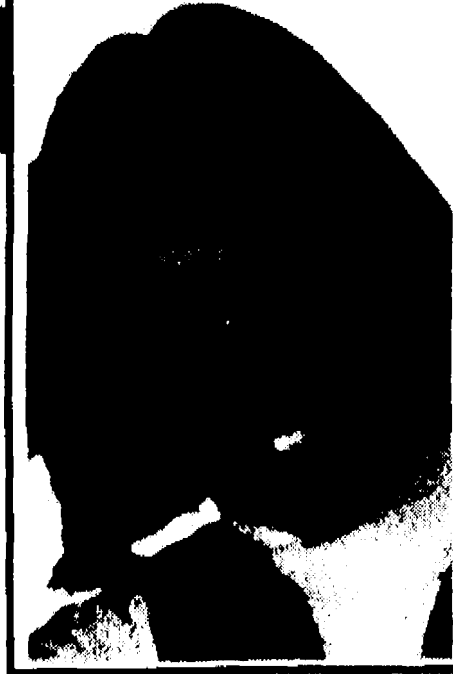
Mary M. Wakeley

Mary M. Wakeley, 17, daughter of Joseph V. Wakeley and Therese Chott, plans to attend the University of Detroit Mercy and major in English.

She earned the Insignis Scholarship from the university.

She was a member of the National Honor Society and was involved with Youth in Government, drama, soccer and tennis while a student at Grayling High School.

Also as a student at GHS Wakeley earned an academic letter, first place prize in a Kirtland Community College poetry contest and an achievement award for her involvement in the school's literary supplement.



Students earn Top Ten graduation honors

Ten Grayling High School seniors were recently named as the Top Ten graduates for the Class of 1997.

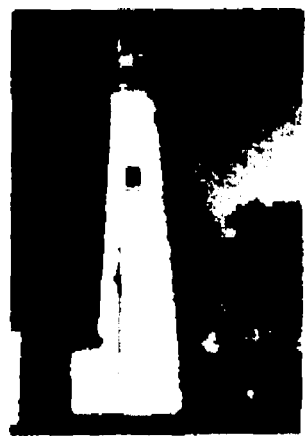
Patrick L. Lamie, son of Thomas and Julie Lamie was named as the Valedictorian while Brad Alan Larm, son of Jeff and Candy Taylor and Darrell and Heidi Larm was named as Salutatorian.

The other eight students (listed and printed above in alphabetical order) are Grace Mary Galvani, daughter of Grace Galvani and Walter Galvani; Benjamin Robert Haskell, son of Tom and Tina Haskell; Andrea Mae Knepper, daughter of Clifton and Rebecca Knepper; Christy M. Kustra, daughter of Gilbert and Nancy Kustra;

Julia S. McAnallen, daughter of Sandra McAnallen and Thomas Close; Jessica Marie St. Germain, daughter of Gerald St. Germain and Deborah St. Germain; Deborah Ann Schreiner, daughter of Karl and Marge Schreiner; and Mary M. Wakeley, daughter of Joseph V. Wakeley and Therese Chott.

The students, along with the rest of the graduating class, will have commencement exercises on Friday, June 6, beginning at 8 p.m. in the Grayling High school gymnasium.

Baccalaureate will be held Wednesday, June 4 in the GHS auditorium at 7 p.m. This event is sponsored by the AuSable Ministerial Association.



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by Craig Hoffman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School varsity baseball team is off to an 0-18 season, but it is not from a lack of effort or teamwork.

"The kids have done everything I have asked of them," said head coach Fred Wolcott. "They give it their all every game, but struggle with walks or errors in an inning which means we are constantly fighting uphill to win a game."

"In the last couple of games we have also left a lot of men on base in scoring position," Wolcott said.

The Vikings started out the week at home against the Oscoda Owls. The Vikings started Aaron Perrin who

registered six strikeouts and six walks.

Three of the walks were in the third inning and unfortunately all three scored.

The Vikings error woes continued with four errors which allowed the Owls to score two runs.

The Vikings out hit the Owls 7-4.

Adam Baynham was 2-for-4 and reached a fielders choice in the sixth inning.

Nick Harmer was 2-for-4 with one single and one double.

The Vikings gave up 12 hits in the second game. They had eight hits and only one error in the game, but were defeated 15-6.

The Vikings played Onaway at home on Friday, May 9 and battled through a tough game, but came up short and lost to the Cardinals 9-6.

The Vikings took a 1-0 lead in the first inning.

The Cardinals scored four runs in the top of the third on four walks and two hits to take a 4-1 lead.

Onaway stretched out their lead, but the Vikings fought back with four runs in the sixth inning, but left three men on base.

The Vikings also scored one run in the seventh inning and left the bases loaded.

"We had plenty of chances in the game, but with walks and errors we gave the other team more than three outs," Wolcott said.

The Vikings out hit the Cardinals 7-3, but had five walks and four errors. Eddie Baynham was 2-for-4 with two singles.

The Vikings lost the second contest 12-4 and the game was called on account of darkness after the fifth inning.

Viking pitching gave up eight walks. The Vikings had five hits including one homerun by Tim Anderson and Josh Schoen.

The Vikings traveled to Bay City John Glenn on Tuesday, May 13 and host Standish Sterling on Friday, May 16.

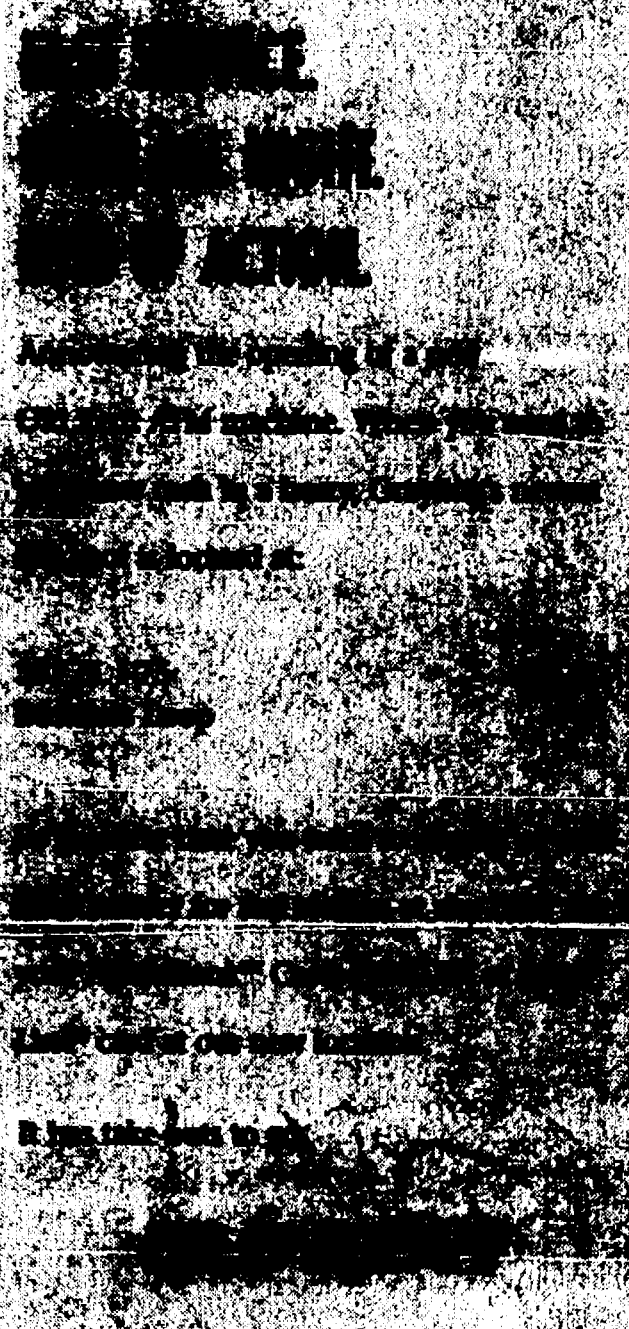
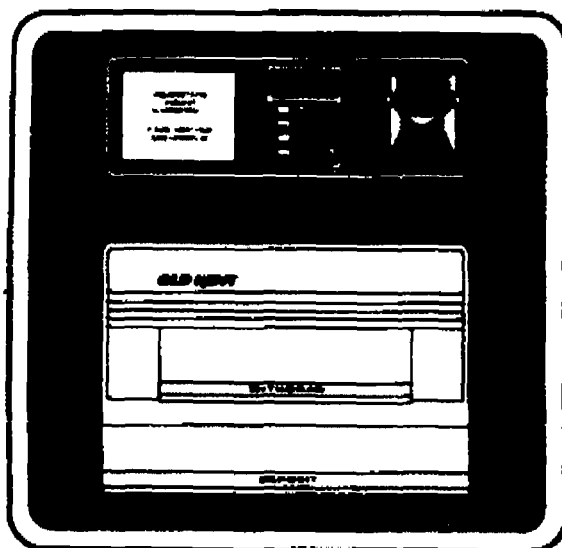
Viking of the week



Baseball Josh Schoen

Viking senior Josh Schoen was chosen for his defensive effort at third base, and for hitting a homer against Onaway

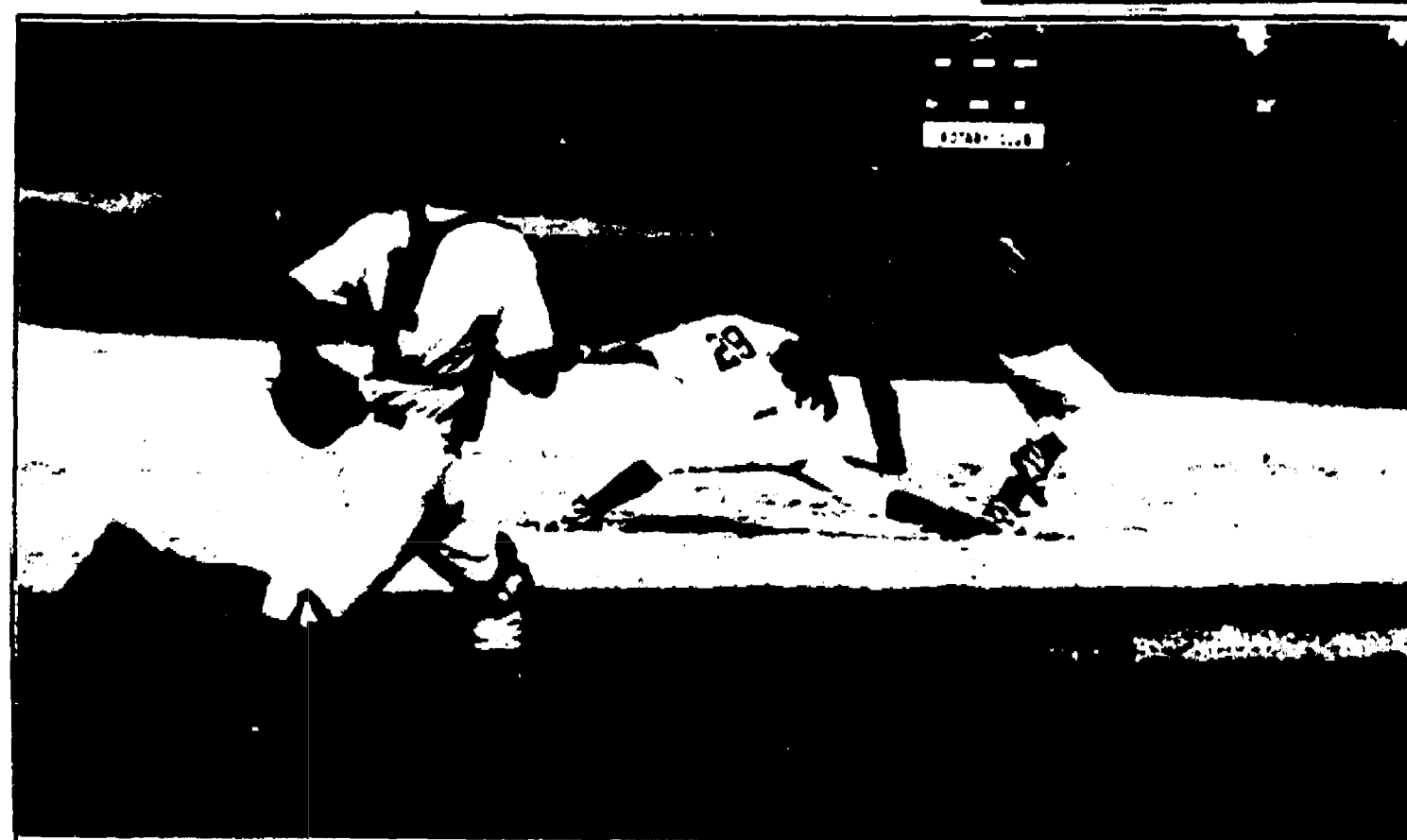
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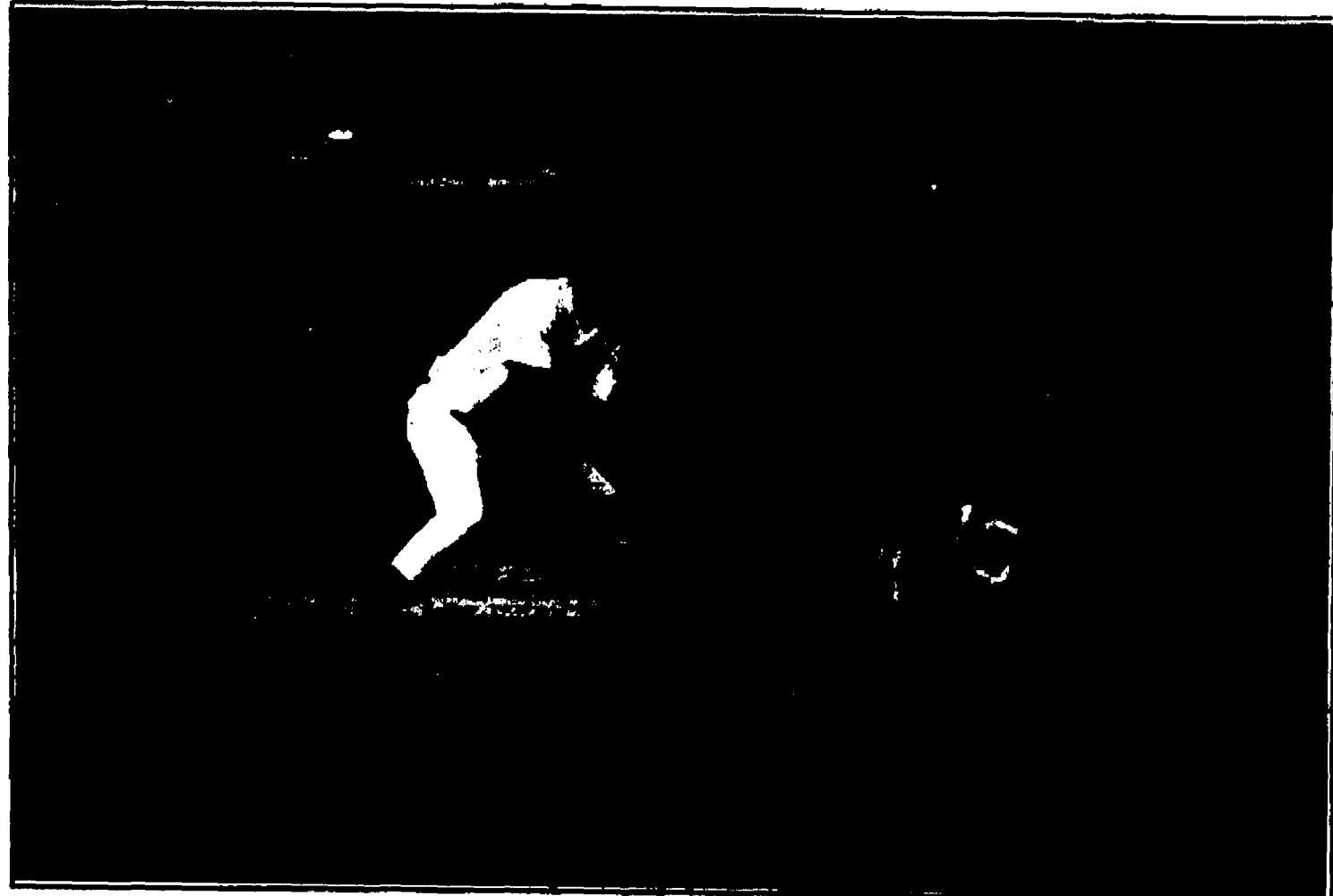


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HE'S OUT -- With his foot on the base, Mike Knight (29) catches the baseball to get the runner out. Catcher Ben Haskel gets in position to back up the play. The Vikings and their teammates are off to a slow 0-18 start.

photos by Craig Hoffman



ANOTHER OUT -- Eddie Baynham, a member of the Grayling High School varsity baseball team, tags the base to get the runner out.

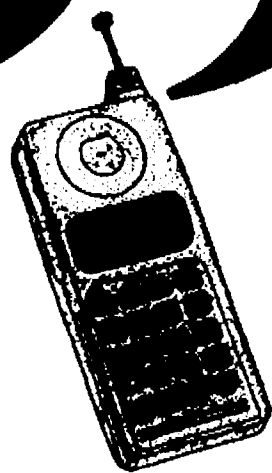
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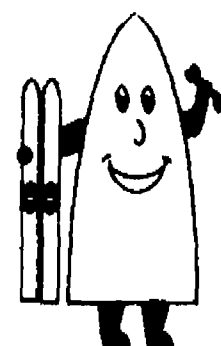
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Track squads are ready for regionals

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The boys' and girls' track teams are both showing improvement, and the athletes have picked the right time of the season to be reaching their peak levels.

"The team's performances are continually improving," said Coach Keith Seybert. "This is the right time of year for this to happen, because regionals are on Saturday."

The Grayling track teams got prepared for the upcoming regional meet in two events last week. The regional meet is scheduled for Saturday, May 17.

The Houghton Lake Invitational on Saturday, May 10, featured 19 teams, including the boys and girls from Grayling. The Viking boys and girls both finished six out of seven Class B teams at the meet.

The best finish for the Vikings came from the 400-meter relay team. Jesse Hannum, David Sabin, Simon Jaehnichen and Nate Hinkle finished in second place with a time of 46.39. These same four runners took fifth place in the 800-meter relay.

Mickey McClain took fourth in the 110-meter hurdles (16.75). McClain also took a sixth in the 300 hurdles. Nate Hinkle had a good meet, finishing in eighth place in the high jump by clearing the bar at 5-6.

Grayling's Nicole Craigie paced the girls' team with two third-place finishes. She ran the 100-meter dash in 12.96 and the 300 hurdles in 51.26.

Grayling's 3,200-meter relay team of Brooke Ginther, Melanie McClain, Terah Armstrong and Mary Dobry finished fourth. Dobry, Ginther, Armstrong and Karen Wyman combined to finish eighth in the 1,600-meter relay.

Grayling also competed against Tawas and Pinconning on May 7. The boys and girls each finished with a lot of first or second place finishes.

The Viking boys had two first places. Travis Parkinson won the long jump (18-7). Mickey McClain finished third in the long jump (17-8).

Nate Hinkle won the other event for the Vikings. He cleared the high jump bar at 6-feet.

The 400 and 800 relay teams of Hannum, Sabin, Jaehnichen and Hinkle came in second in both races. The 3,200-meter relay team of Armand Lawrence, Armands Graube, David Hawkins and Jason Boreo also took second.

Mickey McClain took two second places — one in the 300 hurdles and one in the 110 hurdles. Graube took an individual second in the 1,600 run.

Nicole Craigie, Mary Dobry and a relay team won events for the girls' team on May 7. Craigie won the 100-meter dash and the 300-meter hurdles. Dobry won the 1,600 with a time of 5:49.

Mary Hibbard, Stephanie Wichert, Annie Becks and Lindsey Voelker won the 400 relay.

Individual second-place finishes went to Craigie (110 hurdles), Karen Wyman (400 dash), Ginther (800 run), Wyman (200 dash), Voelker (shot put) and Craigie (long jump).

The 800 relay team of Hibbard, Becks, Libby Galvani and Armstrong and the 1,600 relay team of Dobry, Armstrong, Wyman and Ginther both took seconds.



AND HE'S OFF -- Travis Parkinson, a member of the Grayling High School track team, starts out of the blocks in his heat of the 200-meter dash at the Houghton Lake Invitational.

photos by Lisa Hofman



FIGHTING TO THE FINISH -- Jason Boreo shows the toughness involved in finishing a long distance relay at the Houghton Lake Invitational. The boys track team finished sixth in the Class B division.



SET -- Karen Wyman gets set for the start of a race. She helped the 1600 meter relay place eighth in 4:41. Other members of the relay were Mary Dobry, Terah Armstrong and Brooke Ginther.



JUMPING FOR THE TEAM -- Ann Becks, a member of the Grayling High School track team, jumps for distance in the long jump. Becks and her Viking teammates finished in sixth place in the B school division at the Houghton Lake Invitational.

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Vikings of the week



Boys' Track Mickey McClain

Viking Junior Mickey McClain was chosen Viking of the Week for taking 2nd-place positions in three events, 3rd-place position in one event, and one fourth-place and one 6th-place position at the Tawas and Houghton Lake meets.

Viking of the week



Girls' Track Mary Dobry

Viking sophomore Mary Dobry was chosen Viking of the Week for taking 1st in the mile race, setting a personal record of 4:49; was a member of the 2nd-place mile relay team, and a member of the 4th place 2-mile relay team at the Tawas and Houghton Lake meets.

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by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

The bottom-line Achilles connection

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P.S. Cortisone is generally not recommended for Achilles tendinitis, as the drug may have a destructive effect on the tendon itself.



Soccer scores first win in history

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The girls' soccer team got its first victory in its history this past week. The Grayling soccer squad, which started its first varsity sports season with this season, defeated Pinconning at home, 2-0. The win shows the outstanding progress which has been made by this first-year team.

The victory and the signs of significant improvement are coming at the perfect time, as the soccer districts are just around the corner. It seems like the Vikings just kicked off their season, but they are scheduled to compete already in the first round of district action on Monday, May 19.

The districts will be held in Charlevoix and Grayling has the tough task of facing the host team.

"They are really improving," Coach

Jim Scott said of his players. "Especially for a rookie team, these players are starting to really catch on and understand the game."

The improvement was capped off against Pinconning with the win. The Vikings got revenge for an early season defeat at the hands of Pinconning, 3-2. This time the game was on the Grayling home field, and this time the Vikings turned the tables on their opponent.

Grayling got on the scoreboard early. Michelle Duncley scored the first goal with only 49 seconds gone in the first half. She scored from eight yards out from the left-hand side of the goal.

Julie McAnallen gave the Vikings a two-goal lead early in the second half. She scored with a shot that went over the heads of the Pinconning defenders and the goalkeeper from 18 yards out.

Onna Ingvansson and Sarah McGuire combined for the shutout at the goalkeeper's position. Other players who provided strong defense up the middle included Melissa Ostwald at stopper and Arica Burkett at sweeper. Giving good offense pressure was Sarah Autem.

The Vikings did not fare as well against Oscoda on May 5. Oscoda beat Grayling, 7-0.

Scott said some of his players had very good games, although the scoreboard did not reflect it.

McGuire played a strong game in

goal, recording more than 30 saves. Kristie Cadeau also played an excellent game from her striker position.

The coach also said Deanna Fleischmann (midfielder) and Amanda Febey (marking back) were big contributors in the contest.

Viking of the week



Girls' Soccer Michelle Duncley

Viking senior Michelle Duncley was chosen Viking of the Week for providing a lot of leadership on the field, and for being the leading scorer on the team.

Viking of the week

Girls' Golf Katie Southard

Viking freshman Katie Southard was chosen Viking of the Week for shooting a 56 against Alpena.

Weather cancels golf meet

by Craig Hoffman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School girls golf team had one tough opponent last week. The weather kept the Vikings out of action, but they continue to prepare for Friday's regional at Cedar Chase Golf Course in Cedar Springs.

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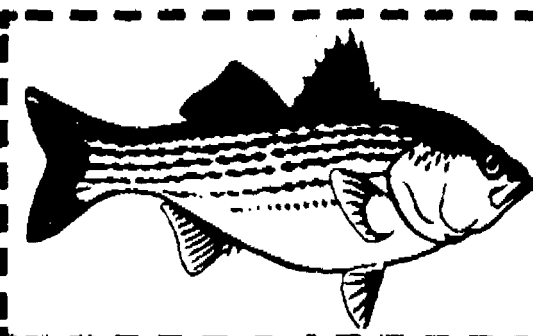
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SOCCER VIKINGS -- The Grayling High School girls soccer team (front, from left) is Julia McAnallen, Kristie Cadeau, Melissa Ostwald, Deanna Fleischmann, Tasha Carlisle and Christi Duncley. The middle row (l-r) is Shannon Wakeley, Danielle McClain, Sara Autem, Amanda Febey, Maryann Sirrine, Michelle Duncley, Jenny Lech and Sarah McGuire. The back row (l-r) is coach Jim Scott, Onna Ingvansson, Gretchen Ross, Brie Blaauw, Heather Ross, Arica Burkett, Carrie Hellebuyck and Pat Lamie.

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CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

by Tracie Compton

The Crawford County Library has been graced with three new flower boxes thanks to the good works of the young men of Shawano.

Other good works by the young men of Shawano include the stripping and staining of the bench donated in memory of William L. Sherlock.

Another project was replacing the shingles on the wishing well in front of the Library parking lot.

Hours at the Crawford County Library will be Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The phone number is 348-9214.

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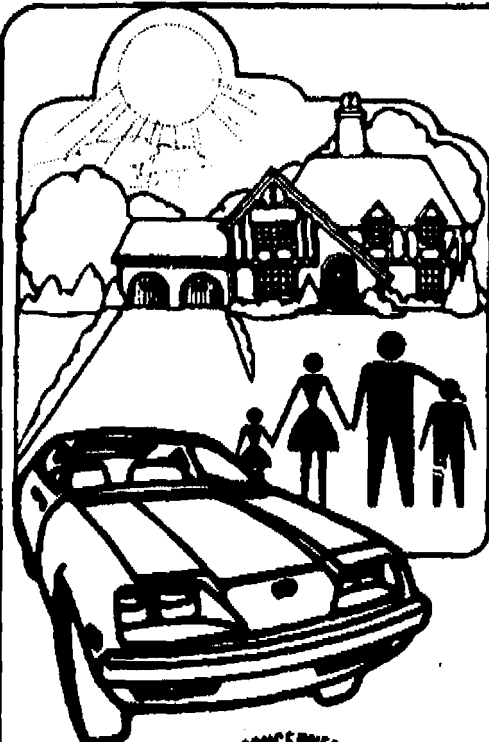
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Tennis improves in conference

by Craig Hoffman
Sports Writer

The Vikings boys tennis team traveled to Boyne City to compete in the conference championship at Boyne Mountain.

Although the Vikings did not win a match, according to Tom Mills, they had some close matches which was an improvement over last year.

Number one singles player John Moua was defeated by Jason Pratt of Charlevoix 0-6, 0-6.

Number two singles Mike Winters lost to Byron Zawora of Elk Rapids in a close 3-6, 6-4, 3-6 match.

Number three singles Shane Colby was defeated by Flowan Liebauer of Elk Rapids, 0-6, 6-2, 1-6.

Number four singles Ryan Gaffke was defeated in the closest match of the day for the Vikings. Gaffke lost 3-6, 6-0, 6-7 in which he lost the tie breaker 2-7 to Simon Parron of Charlevoix.

In number one doubles action Jeremy Jones and Travis Hopp were defeated by Helburson and Oakley of Charlevoix 3-6, 3-6.

JV hurt by errors in busy week of action

by Craig Hoffman
Sports Writer

The junior varsity softball team had a very busy week. Unfortunately the Vikings went 1-6 and struggled with errors.

The Vikings traveled to Oscoda on Tuesday, May 6 to take on the Owls. The Owls were tough and in the first game defeated the Vikings 23-10.

"Jenny Phillips had two singles and pitched a good game, but our defensive errors allowed the Owls extra chances," said coach Kim Laughton.

The second game did not turn out any better for the Vikings. The Owls won 25-10.

Tamela Strait had two singles and Jamie Anderson had one single. Mika Sumner had a single and a double and Andrea Elmy had one single.

The Vikings were once again hurt by errors. The team committed 13 in the game.

The Vikings traveled to Kalkaska on Wednesday, May 7. They struggled in the first game and lost 12-3.

"We only committed four errors, but we were not hitting the ball," said Laughton.

Jamie Anderson had one single. Crystal Pilon had one single and one triple and Mika Sumner had one single.

The second game was a turn around for the Vikings. The Vikings came out slugging the ball, but committed 14 errors.

The Vikings lost the game 27-24, but lost the chance to win because the game was called due to darkness.

Monica Kustra had one single. Leanna Mathews had two singles. Andrea Elmy and Tamela Strait had one double each.

Crystal Pilon had three singles. Sara Bassett and Jamie Anderson added two singles and Mika Sumner had one single and one sacrifice.

"Jenny Phillips did a great job pitching and playing defense. The errors allowed the Blue Blazers to stay in and steal the game," Laughton said.

The Vikings continued their busy week on Saturday, May 10, at the Tawas Tournament.

The Vikings took on Beaverton in the first game and were mercied 16-1.

The Vikings had nine errors and only two singles by Leanna Mathews and Mika Sumner.

Boys soccer drops pair

The NMC United U-14 Boy's Travel Soccer Team played in Petoskey Saturday, May 10. The team roster is made up of players from Gaylord, Bellaire, Central Lake and Grayling (Josh Petrie).

The first game was a 4-1 loss to Marquette. NMC played short one player and they were too much for the team in that situation. Jason DeFever scored for NMC with an assist from Craig Combs.

The second game was a 2-0 loss to Lake Ann.

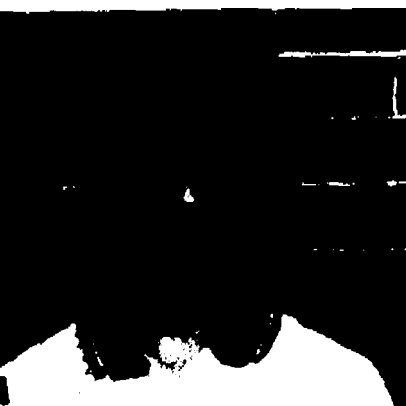
Jeff Wilson was goalkeeper for the first half of the Marquette game and Jon Lake finished that game and the entire Lake Ann game also.



VIKING TENNIS -- The Grayling High School boys tennis team is (front from left) Pete Mead, John Moua, Gordon Elsner, Jared Armstrong, Shane Colby, Ravi Ramaswamy, Josh Brannon and Josh Halstead. The back row (l-r) is Tristan Williams, Mike Ostwald, Ryan Gaffke, Travis Hopp, Jeremy Jones, Mike Winters, Travis Beckett, Justin Davis and coach Tom Mills.

photo by Craig Hoffman

Viking of the week



Tennis Ryan Gaffke

Viking sophomore Ryan Gaffke was chosen Viking of the Week for his hard work and effort at the conference meet. Ryan lost the closest match of the day 3-6, 6-0, 6-7.

Number two doubles Josh Brannon and Peter Mead lost to Fryberg and Raider of Boyne City 2-6, 0-6.

The number three doubles team of Travis Beckett and Mike Ostwald lost to Ferral and Patter of Harbor Springs 6-3, 2-6, 5-7.

"It was a tough day to play with 35 degree weather, but the kids put forth a great effort," Mills said.

The Vikings travel to regional competition on Friday, May 16.

The second game was a 12-6 loss to Tawas.

Jenny Phillips pitched well and had six put outs. Monica Kustra had one single and one double.

Crystal Pilon got one single. Tamela Strait had three sacrifices and Leanna Mathews and Jamie Anderson each had two singles.

The last game for the Vikings was against Oscoda, where the Vikings got some revenge and defeated the Owls 21-13.

"We played heads-up defense and hit the ball. We had very few errors compared to the other games," Laughton said.

Offensively Monica Kustra had two singles and Jenny Phillips had two singles, one double and one triple.

Jenny Phillips scored each time she got on base.

Andrea Elmy had one single and one triple. Tamela Strait had two singles and Mika Sumner added three singles.

Leanna Mathews also had one single and one sacrifice.

"Jenny Phillips has done a great job pitching and playing defense. Monica Kustra has done a great job behind the plate and her bat has come alive. Jamie Anderson is starting to hit and Tamela Strait has improved greatly," Laughton said.

The Vikings hosted Bay City John Glenn on Tuesday, May 13 and travel to Standish Sterling on Friday, May 16.



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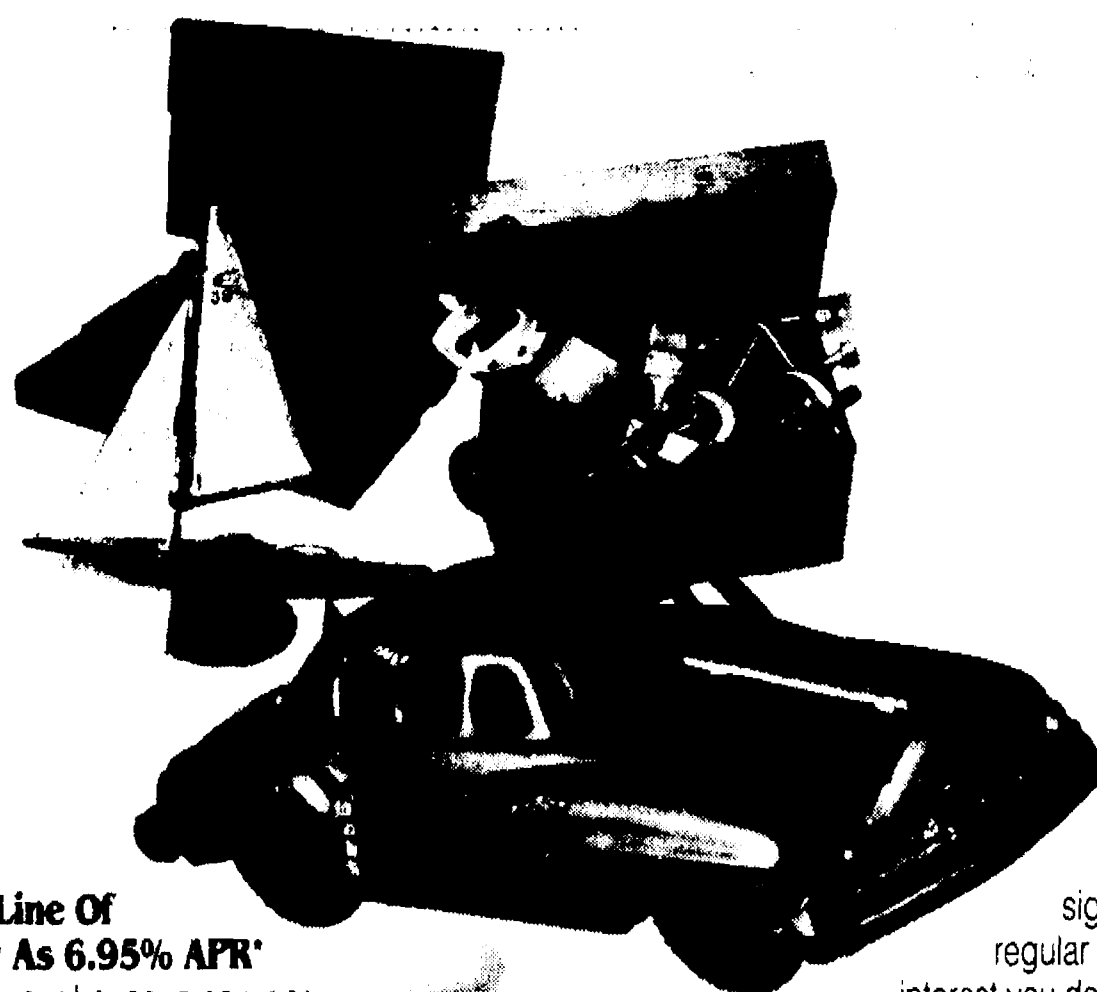
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LEGAL ACTION

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE—Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven D. Lesh and Sandra L. Lesh, husband and wife, mortgagors, of 481 Pere Cheney, Roscommon, MI 48653, to OLD KENT BANK, a Michigan banking corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 28, 1995, recorded in the Office of Register of Deeds for CRAWFORD County, on August 7, 1995, in Liber 398, on Page 22, and assigned by mortgage to OLD KENT MORTGAGE COMPANY, by an assignment dated July 28, 1995, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for CRAWFORD County, Michigan, on August 7, 1995, in Liber 398, Page 33. Because of said default, the mortgagee has declared the entire unpaid amount secured by said mortgage due and payable forthwith.

As of the date of this notice, there is claimed to be due for principal, interest at the rate of 8.0% per annum and expenses on said mortgage the sum of \$52,706.78. No suit or proceeding in law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay said amount with interest, as provided in said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including attorney's fees allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public sale to the highest bidder at the front lobby of the Crawford County Building, Grayling, Michigan on Thursday, May 29, 1997, at 10:00 a.m.

The premises covered by said mortgage are situated in the Township of South Branch,

Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as follows:

Land located in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as follows: Being a part of the E 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 7, T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan; described as: commencing at the W 1/4 corner of said Section 7; thence S88 degrees 00' E along the E & W 1/4, 2040.3 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence N 1 degree 46' E 331.2 feet; thence S 87 degrees 57' E 335.86 feet; thence S 1 degree 32' W along 1/4 line, 331.0 feet; thence N 88 degrees 00' W, 337.2 feet to the Point of Beginning. Subject to the county highway easement over the Southernly 33.0 feet and an easement for ingress and egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities over the westerly 50.0 feet thereof.

The property is commonly known as 481 Pere Cheney, Roscommon, MI 48653. Notice is further given that the length of the in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale.

Dated: April 25, 1997
OLD KENT MORTGAGE COMPANY
MIKA, MEYERS, BECKETT & JONES, P.L.C.

Attorneys for Assignee
By: Mark A. Kehoe
200 Ottawa Avenue, N.W.
Suite 700
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(616) 459-3200

-1-8-15-22

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of the Land Contract made by KIRK A. SNIDER and KAREN L. SNIDER, husband and wife, as purchasers, to GEORGE R. WEATHERLY and MURIEL D. WEATHERLY, husband and wife, as sellers, as follows:

CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1997 MEETING SCHEDULE

January 9, 1997	July 10, 1997
February 13, 1997	August 14, 1997
March 13, 1997	September 11, 1997
April 10, 1997	October 9, 1997
May 8, 1997	November 13, 1997
June 12, 1997	December 11, 1997

The meetings are held at the Citizens Bank, Grayling, MI in their conference room located in the basement and begin at 8:30 a.m. If any changes are made, the change will be published in ample time. Citizens wishing to address the Housing Commission board may contact the Housing Commission office located at 203 Huron Street, Grayling, MI (517) 348-3513, to be placed on the agenda.

-15-22

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF GRAYLING BUDGET HEARING

The Grayling City Council will hold a public hearing for its 1997-98 budget on Tuesday, May 27, 1997, at 7:30 pm, in the council chambers located at 103 S. James Street. All citizens are invited to attend and provide council with written and/or oral comments and ask questions concerning the city's proposed budget. The proposed budget can be inspected by the public from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm Monday thru Friday in the city clerk's office at city hall. Handicapped persons needing assistance should contact the city office before the meeting by calling 348-2131.

The discussion at this public hearing will include consideration of the proposed millage rate to be levied for the 1997-98 tax year, and the relationship of the state equalized value, and the taxable value of property, and the changes for same between 1996/97 and 1997/98. The millage rate proposed in the 1997-98 budget is 14.8 mills for operations and 0.0 mills for debt retirement. This millage rate is exactly the same as the 1996-97 millage rate, but will result in increased revenues due to increases in state equalized values and taxable values. The City of Grayling has complete authority to set the millage rate for city operations at any level below the charter limit.

Jerry W. Morford
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The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:
BRILEY TOWNSHIP CLERK, 11331 West Street, Atlanta, MI 49735
OFFICES OF MITCHELL AND ASSOCIATES, 512 W. Main St., Gaylord, MI 49735.

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of Mitchell and Associates located at 512 W. Main St., Gaylord, MI 49735, upon payment of \$50.00 for each set.

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Mr. Donald Edwards
Township Supervisor

-8-15

A Land Contract dated September 30, 1994 and recorded on October 12, 1994 at Liber 384, Pages 510-512 of the Crawford County Records which had a principal balance as of December 30, 1996 in the amount of \$37,152.86; and the interest accruing thereon up to April 30, 1997 is \$1,098.98 for a total currently owing on the premises of \$38,251.84 in default for failure to make payments; further no proof has been provided to the sellers that the insurance on the premises has been paid; the 1996 taxes on the subject premises are currently in default in the amount of \$635.84; no legal or equitable proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of it, evidenced by the Land Contract and the Power of Sale in the Land Contract has become operative by reason of the default.

Notice is now given that on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 1997 AT 11:00 A.M., at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on the Land Contract, together with the legal costs and charges of sale, including an attorney fee as provided by law, the land and premises mentioned and described in the Land Contract are as follows:

1. Land situated in the Township of Frederic, County of Crawford and State of Michigan:

Parcel No 11: More particularly described as follows: Part of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 1, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 1, thence North 2 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East (along the North and South 1/4 line), 1623.50 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 2 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East, 335 feet; thence North 89 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East, 1318.10 feet; thence South 2 degrees 28 minutes West, 335 feet; thence South 88 degrees 40 minutes 35 seconds West, 1316.18 feet to the Point of Beginning.

ALSO Parcels 12 and 13: More particularly described as follows: Part of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 1, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 1, thence North 2 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East (along the North and South 1/4 line) 953.50 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 2 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East, 670.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East, 1316.18 feet; thence South 2 degrees 28 minutes West, 670.00 feet; thence South 88 degrees 40 minutes 35 seconds West, 1213.34 feet to the Point of Beginning.

AND ALSO Parcel No. 22: Being the North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 1, Town 27 North, Range 4 West.

The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of sale. Property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the Foreclosure Sale, plus interest and any unpaid encumbrances on the property from the date of the sale.

Dated April 30, 1997

David R. Sablin
Attorney at Law
115 Michigan Avenue
Grayling, Michigan 49738
(517) 348-5588

-8-15-22-29

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 46TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CRAWFORD COUNTY

File No: 97 4190 CH
OTTACO, INC., a Michigan Corporation,
Plaintiff,

George D. Gonyo; Marianne Gonyo; Kenneth Baker; Spouse of Kenneth Baker; and Occupant(s) of real property known as Lot 274, UppNorthe No. 3, Defendant(s).

SOTIROFF & ABRAMCZYK, P.C.
By: Keith A. Sotiroff (P42904)
Attorneys for Plaintiff
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 444
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025
(810) 642-6000

Order under MCR 2.105(1) permitting service of process by publication under MCR 2.106 upon Kenneth Baker and Spouse of Kenneth Baker; and ordering said defendants to answer.

At a session of said Court, held in the Courthouse, Crawford County, Michigan on: April 22, 1997

Present: HON S/Alton T. Davis (P. 24472) Circuit Court Judge

Plaintiff having filed its Complaint to quiet title, having filed its Motion under MCR 2.105(1) for an Order Permitting Service of Process by Publication under MCR 2.106 and for an Order to Answer, and the Court otherwise being advised in the premises;

It is hereby ordered, that Defendants Kenneth Baker and Spouse of Kenneth Baker shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law at the offices of the Clerk of this Court at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738 on or before twenty-eight (28) days after the last date of publication of this order. Failure to comply with this Order shall result in a Judgment by Default against said Defendants, which shall vest Plaintiff with absolute fee simple title to real estate situated in the Townships of Maple Forest and Frederic, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, to-wit:

Lot 274, UppNorthe #3, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3, Page 29, Crawford County Records.

Tax Roll Number: 020-100-000-274-00.

It is further ordered, that service of process of this Order and Summons and

Complaint heretofore filed, may be made upon said Defendants by publication of a copy of this Order once each week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper in circulation in Crawford County, Michigan, and by sending a copy of this Order, Summons and Complaint to said Defendants at their respective last known address, located at 720 N. Norway Street, Baldwin, Michigan 49304, by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication and by posting a copy of this Order on the subject realty.

-8-15-22

MORTGAGE SALE

MORTGAGE SALE—Default having been made in the conditions of certain mortgage ROBBIN JOHN MEYER and LAWEDLA ANN MEYER, husband and wife, of 10750 N. Billman Road, Roscommon, MI 48653, to NORTH CENTRAL AREA CREDIT UNION, of 129 Lake Street, P.O. Box 727, Roscommon, MI 48653, dated May 23, 1994, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of CRAWFORD, and State of Michigan, on June 2, 1994, in Liber 378, Pages 332-337, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest the sum of thirty-six thousand three hundred thirty-three and 33/100 (\$36,323.33) dollars, and no proceedings have been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

Now therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage thereof and in pursuance to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgagee will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or as much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, CRAWFORD County, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on June 5, 1997, at 10:00 a.m., of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said mortgage together with six and 95/100 (6.95%) percent interest, legal costs, attorney's fees, and also any taxes and insurance that said mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said mortgage as follows, to-wit: Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan:

Lot 411 and 412, INDIAN GLENS OF THE AUSABLE, NO. 6, as recorded in Liber 4 of plats, pages 1 through 14, inclusive, Crawford County records.

Street address: 10750 N. Billman Road
The period of redemption will be six (6) months from the date of sale, unless determined to be abandoned pursuant to M.C.L.A. 600.3241 (1) whereby the period of redemption shall be thirty (30) days.

Dated: April 18, 1997
NORTH CENTRAL AREA CREDIT UNION
LAW OFFICES OF GERARD E. BRABANT, P.C.
Attorney for Mortgagee
241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35
Roscommon, MI 48653
(517) 275-4365

-1-8-15-22-29

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE—Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by April HIVELEY, an adult woman, individual to American Heritage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 14, 1995 and recorded on November 30, 1995 in Liber 404, on Page 27, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the FLAGSTAR BANK, RSB, (f/a First Security Savings Bank, FSB), as assignee by an assignment dated November 20, 1995 which was recorded on November 30, 1995, in Liber 404, on Page 85, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty And 06/100 (\$30,950.06) dollars, including interest at 8.50% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 11:00 o'clock A.M., on June 25, 1997.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

The South 100 feet of the North 300 feet of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 12, T26N, R4W.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 1997
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
(810) 642-4202
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for FLAGSTAR BANK FSB
30150 Telegraph
Suite 100
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025
File #97043170
PROPERTY ADDRESS:
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GRAYLING, MI 49738

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MORTGAGE SALE

Robert A. Tremaine & Associates, P.C. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

OBITUARIES

Richard A. "Giz" Niederer

Richard A. "Giz" Niederer, 68, of Grayling died on May 11, 1997 at his residence.

Mr. Niederer was born in Grayling on March 1, 1929. He served in the Air Force. He was a lifelong resident of Grayling and was employed at Mercy Hospital for 40 years before retiring in 1991. He married the former Janice M. Williams on April 21, 1984, in Grayling. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Donna (Perry) Niederer, on July 15, 1976; one brother, Max Niederer; and his parents, Fred and Lela (Skinner) Niederer.

He is survived by wife Janice M. (Williams) Niederer; four daughters, Debbie St. Germain of Grayling, Dianne (James) Tobin of Grayling, Denise (Jerry) Mueller of West Branch, Dawn (John) Juntilla of Grayling; two sons, Dan (Bonnie) Niederer of Grayling and Richard Niederer II of Grayling; three brothers, Fred Niederer of Grayling, Bob Niederer of Houghton Lake and John Niederer of Grant; sister Marjorie Desser of Bloomfield Hills; mother-in-law Rosemary Williams of Grayling; fourteen grandchildren; and 1 great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 14, 1997 at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel. Rev. Dr. Robert Barnett officiating. Burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery in Grayling.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

Angeline (Vanderlip) Woodman Ray

Angeline (Vanderlip) Woodman Ray, 87, of Grayling died on May 8, 1997 at The Meadows of Grayling, Michigan on September 9, 1909.

Mrs. Ray was a resident of Grayling for 22 years, moving here from Lansing where she was employed as a licensed practical nurse before her retirement. Mrs. Ray married her first husband, Glen Woodman in 1925, and he preceded her in death in 1952. She married Orval J. Ray in 1962, and he preceded her in death in 1991. She was also preceded in death by her daughter, Norma Jean Woodman, and her parents, Earl and Beattie May (Helmer) Vanderlip.

She is survived by three sons, Stanley Woodman and wife, Joan of Gaylord; Donald Woodman and wife, Marty of Springfield, Missouri; Douglas Woodman and wife, Brook of East Lansing; stepson, Bill Ray and wife, Sue of Florida; stepdaughter, Kay Rice and husband Frank of North Carolina; 16 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Funeral service will be at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 12, 1997 at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel. Rev. Warren Pettis officiating. Burial will be in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Clinton County.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

MORTGAGE SALE—Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by TAMMY S. WATROS, A SINGLE WOMAN to UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE FARMERS, HOME ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE now known as USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT Mortgagee, dated October 28, 1994, and recorded on October 28, 1994, in Liber 385, on page 430, CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of sixty two thousand one hundred eighty one and 76/100 Dollars (\$62,181.76), including interest at 8.00% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 AM on June 25, 1997.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD COUNTY, Michigan and are described as:
LOT 4, KINGSWOOD NORTH NO. 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 04 OF PLATS, PAGE 26, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS, TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: May 15, 1997
ATTORNEY FOR: Mortgagee
Robert A. Tremaine & Associates, P.C.
401 South Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616
PROPERTY ADDRESS:
84 S. ROBERTS RD.
GRAYLING, MI 49738

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Lillian J. Avery

Lillian J. Avery, 66, of Mancelona died Saturday, May 10, 1997 at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City.

Lillian was born on May 24, 1930 in Grayling, the daughter of Joseph and Matilda (Ziebel) Gildner. On December 3, 1949 in Colorado Spring, Colorado, she married Chuck E. Avery. As a longtime business lady in Mancelona, Lillian was co-owner and operator of Avery's Restaurant as well as Marilyn's Restaurant, now known as Shirley's Cafe. Lillian has served the Mancelona area for thirty-five years.

Lillian was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church in Mancelona. She enjoyed her grandchildren and was very devoted to them.

She is survived by her husband, Chuck E. Avery of Mancelona; five children, Kathryn "Kay" (Robert) Avery-Lee of Mancelona, Marilyn (Lee) Wilks of Mancelona, William (Val) Avery of Mancelona, Shirley (Same) Tracos of Mancelona, and Charles (Jennifer) Avery of Traverse City; sixteen grandchildren; her mother, Matilda Gildner of Grayling; two sisters, Marilyn Schreiber of Grayling and Shirley (Gene) Rauch of Grayling; and three brothers, Robert (Sherry) Gildner of Grayling, Richard (Helen "Jo") Gildner of Grayling, and William (Irene) Gildner of Grayling. She was preceded in death by her father, Joseph Gildner.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Mancelona. Father William L. Zwietak will officiate with interment following at Fairview Cemetery, Mancelona.

The family will receive friends on Monday from 2-9 p.m. at the Paulin-Penzien Funeral Home in Mancelona. A prayer service will be held on Monday evening at 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be given to St. Anthony Catholic Church, Leader Dogs for The Blind or Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Adam LeRoy Horning

Adam LeRoy Horning, 54, of Grayling died on May 10, 1997 at his residence.

Mr. Horning was born in Grayling on July 23, 1942. He served in the U.S. Army during Viet Nam and was a member of AA. He was an equipment operator for A & L Iron & Metal in Gaylord.

He is survived by four children, Donna (Roy) Wood of Grayling, Gail Setters of Kentucky, Paula Horning of Grayling and Michelle Horning of Florida; fifteen grandchildren; mother, Ethel Horning of Grayling; special friend, Julie Sawade and sons, James, Allen and Benjie of Grayling; sisters, Betty Cdeaba, Irene Rubby, Shirley Rouse of Grayling, Doris Lokken, Donna Gardiner and Ilene Hyslop, brothers, Robert Horning, Oscar Horning, Jr. and John Horning; two uncles; one aunt; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on May 14, 1997 at American Legion Hall in Grayling. Pastor Donald Brigham will be officiating. Burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery in Grayling.

Arrangements by Steuarnol & McLaren Funeral Home in Roscommon.

Norman D. L. Riddle

Norman D. Riddle, 56, of Grayling died Friday evening, May 9, 1997 at his residence.

Mr. Riddle was born in Lyons, Ohio on December 31, 1940, he was the son of D. L. and Marjorie (Rozelle) Riddle. On May 5, 1962, in Grayling, he was united in marriage with Sandra Taylor who survives.

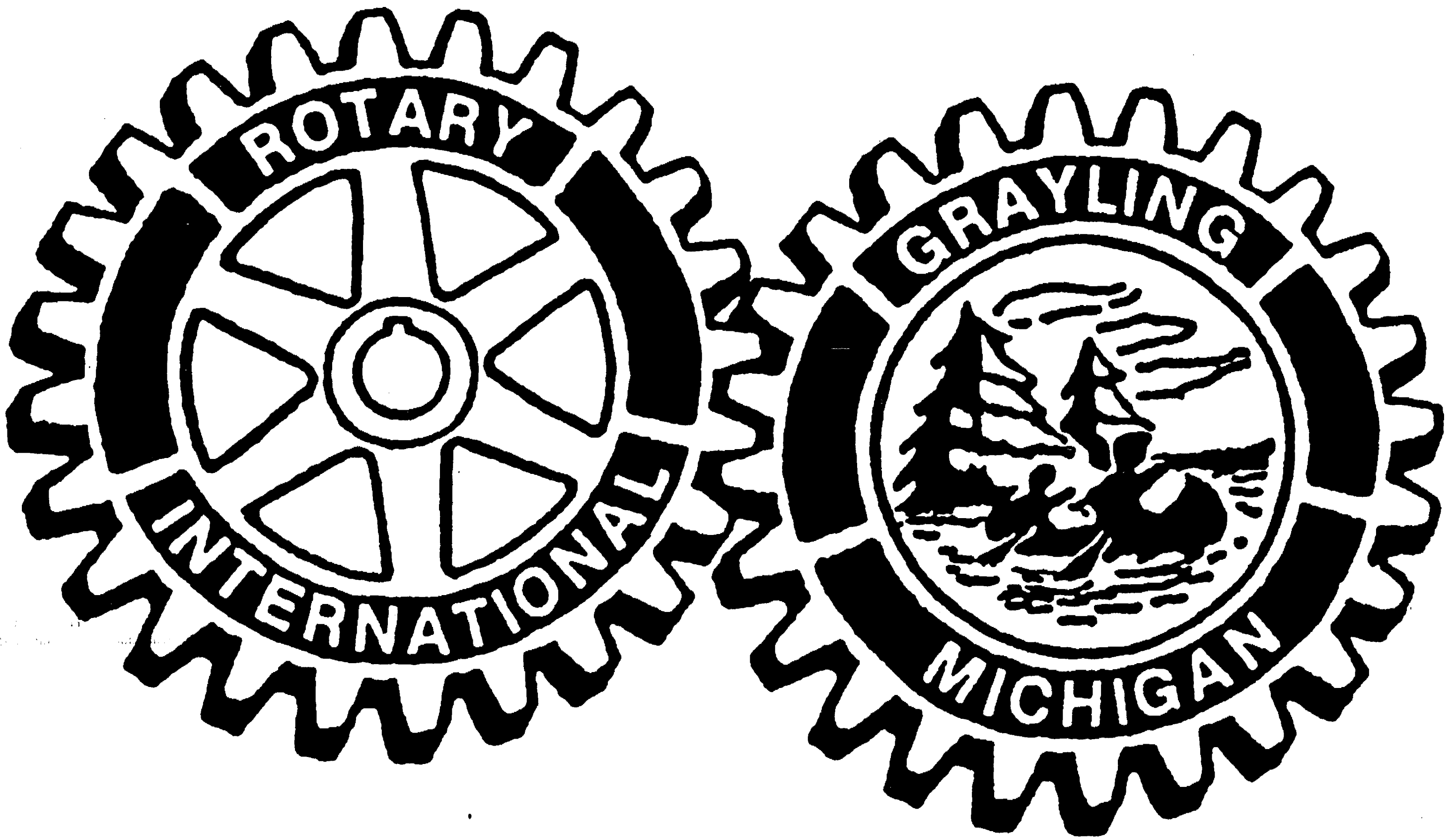
Mr. Riddle moved to the Grayling area 35 years ago from Hudson. He was a retired carpenter and enjoyed snowmobile racing, hunting, horse racing, and the outdoors. He was a member of the Grayling Calvary Baptist Church and the Michigan Snowmobilers.

He is survived by his wife; one son, Joseph (Jackie) Riddle of Grayling; two daughters, Tena (Bob) Dixon of Grayling and Tammy (Steve) Allen of Phoenix, AZ; one brother, Jack Riddle of Spencerville, Ohio; two sisters, Sandra Graf of Morenci and Geneva Sisson of Santa Rosa, CA; and 6 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Grayling Calvary Baptist Church. Rev. Robert Barnett will officiate. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery in Grayling.

Arrangements by Wolfe Funeral Home, Kalkaska.

GRAYLING ROTARY CLUB



Celebrating 25 Years Of Helping The Community



ENJOYING THE CELEBRATION -- In the foreground, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stevens (left) talk with Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Bader at the 25th anniversary celebration of the local Rotary Club. The people in attendance enjoyed the festivities of the celebration.



CELEBRATING WITH OTHERS -- The head table at the Grayling Rotary Club's 25th anniversary celebration included many visiting dignitaries. Other Rotary officials from clubs in Gaylord and Cadillac showed up to help honor the local Rotarians.

A SPECIAL PULL-OUT SECTION TO THE CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

The Grayling Rotary Club ... 25 years and still going strong



FOUNDING FATHER -- John Patchin (left), a Rotary Club member, sits with Nelson Miles, a charter member of the Grayling Rotary Club.

Twenty-five years ago the Grayling Rotary Club was formed and they are still helping the community today.

Loren Goodale Sr. arrived from Plymouth and found that there was no local Rotary Club. Goodale had been a member of

the Plymouth organization for many years. After moving to Grayling he would drive to Gaylord each week to attend their Rotary meetings. He discussed with Past District Governor and Gaylord Rotarian Ed Calkins the formation of a Gray-

ling Charter.

Calkins recalled that he attended a meeting of Rotary District 629 soon after the idea was proposed. That district covers all of the Rotary Clubs from Holland to Wa Wa, Ontario, and from Lake Michigan to roughly the center of the state. District Governor Jim Clark of Cadillac urged the members of Gaylord to help start a charter in Boyne City, but members from the Gaylord Charter helped to organize a Grayling Charter with local persons: Clyde Borchers, Bob Gottfried, Nelson Miles, Loren Goodale Sr. and John Naour.

The new club was organized by a charter from Rotary International on March 5, 1972, but the formal installation dinner was not held until July 1, 1972. The dinner was held at the Officer's Club at Camp Grayling, 27 members were recognized although some charter members have indicated that only 20 men really became active.

The toastmaster for the charter dinner was Frank Henderson, who was a past District Governor from District 636, which is located in south central Michigan. The 626 District Governor Jim Clark introduced guests, the speaker and formally awarded the charter. The speaker was Cass Piotrowski, a Rotary International Official. Leo Strappazon from the Gaylord Chapter introduced the new members and Lem Noirot, then the president of the Gaylord Club awarded the pins and books to the new members.

Officers for the first year of the Grayling Rotary were Bob Gottfried, president; James Crawford, vice-president; Loren Goodale Jr., secretary; and Ted McEvers, treasurer.

Charter members were Wayne Andrews, Charles Batway, Clyde Borchers, James Crawford, Joseph Ely, Rev. Paul Frederick, Dennis Freeman, Loren Goodale Jr., Calvin Gates, Loren Goodale Sr., Robert Gottfried, Thomas Graham, Jack Hull, John Huss, Leo Lovely, Ted McEvers, Robert McLachlan, Jack Mason, Nelson Miles, Lawrence Mattis, John Naour, Melvin Nunn, Harvey Rowland, Rudolph Sauter, John Sojka, Paul Thomson and Harry Weideman.

Some of the early activities of the club included a fish fry, raffle, big trout sculpted for the Winter Carnival, basket ball game against the Kiwanis Club, water battles, and a tug of war.

The first banner was designed by Jack Mason, a charter member, identified Grayling as the Archery Capitol of the World. Today the banner shows Grayling as, Milltown, U.S.A.

The Grayling Rotary Club has grown from its original 20

members to 59 members today. Thousands of dollars have been raised through the generosity of local citizens through the club's activities. Money raised has gone to help those in need in our community. Some of the char-

ter members have passed away now, but they, along with the living members, step beyond the call of duty in forming an organization dedicated to helping worthy causes in the Grayling area.

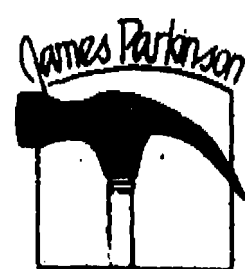


COMMEMORATING 25 YEARS -- Rotary District Governor Dick Miller (left) presents an award to Jim Kanary, the current president of the Grayling Rotary Club. This award was given to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Grayling club chapter.

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AWARD WINNER -- Fred Moore, with wife Nancy, receives the Paul Harris Award. The award is named in honor of the founder of the Rotary Club and is recognized as the most prestigious award in the club. The club donates \$1,000 in honor of the winner to the International Rotary Club.



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ROTARIANS OF THE YEAR -- Jerry Gosnell (left) and Brad Scheer were voted as Rotarians of the Year for 1997. The Paul Harris award winners select this honor. The two were elected to this honor for fund-raising activities - Brad for the chicken barbecue and Jerry for the truck raffle.

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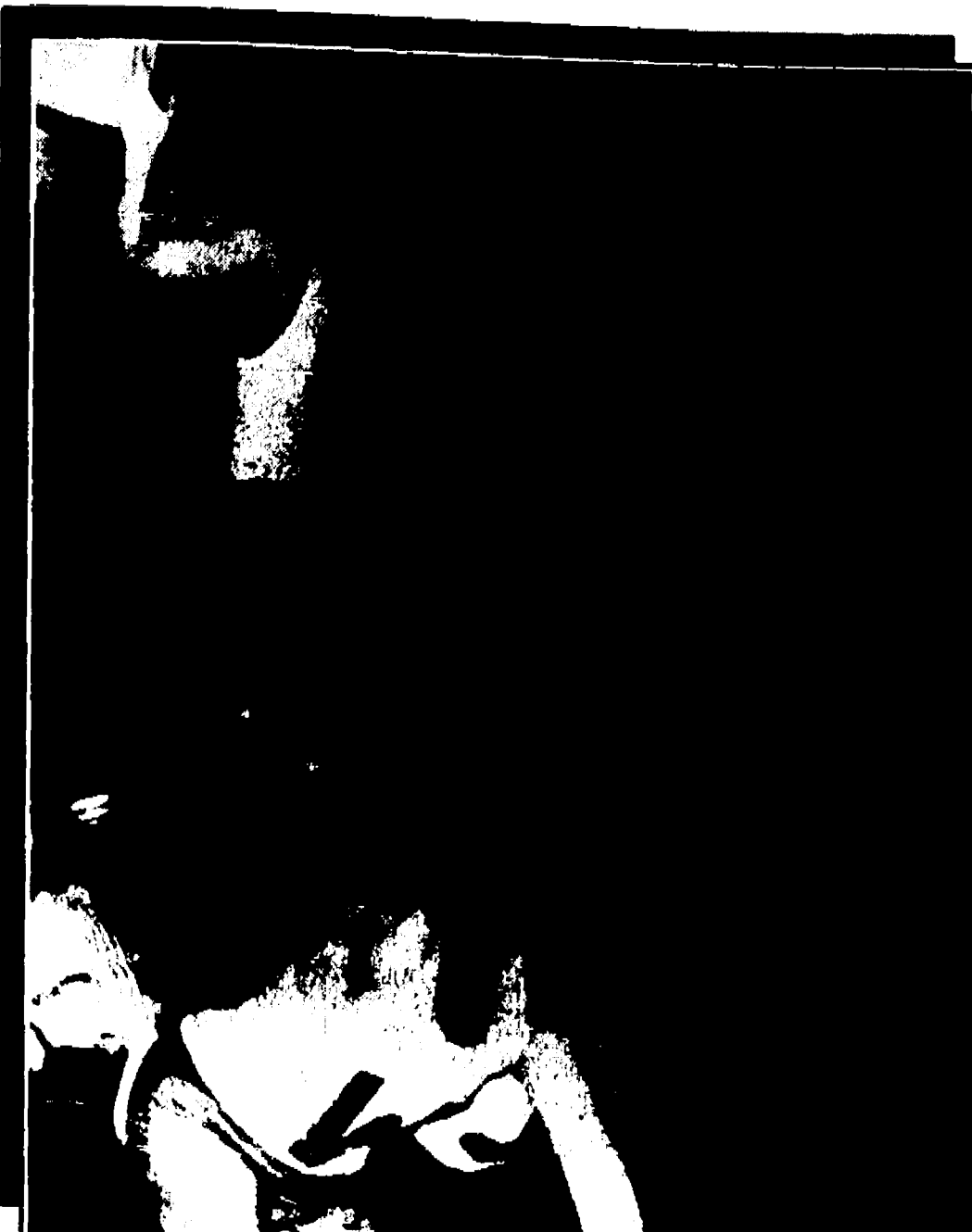
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Highlights of the Grayling Rotary Club Minstrel Show



Top to bottom: Ray Lange, John Naour, Mike Branch and Paul Thomson.

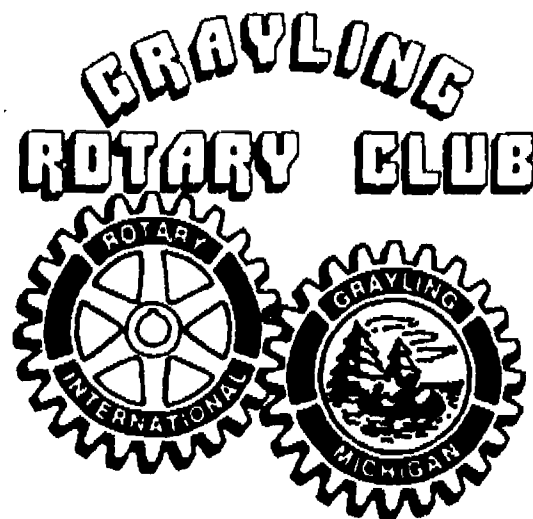


Minstrel Show Chorus with Director George Stancil.

The Grayling Rotary Minstrel Show is a local comedy hit. With the overture of the New Reformation Dixieland Band the fun begins. The chorus parades down the aisle and the lights go up for the start of another show. Some of the audiences favorite characters include the Reverend LeRoy, played by Mike

Branch; Scurvy the hobo, played by Irv McIsaac; the keystone cop played by Bill Klinger and Shorty played by Jim Berglund. To the audience it is a night of excellent entertainment. To the members of the club it is weeks of organizing and rehearsing, but in the end it was enjoyed by all!

Irv McIsaac as "Scurvy", with Keystone Cop Jim Berglund as Shorty.



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Randy Thompson (back), Mark Hartman (middle) and Mike McNamara entertain the crowd during the Grayling Rotary Club Minstrel show.

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Aubry, Robert
Adams, James
Akers, Larry
Albee, Richard
Alef, John Jr.
Allen, Deborah
Allen, Pete
Andrews, Wayne (1)
Appley, Ray
Armstrong, Frederick
Bader, Arnold (2)
Barnum, Paul
Batway, Charles (1)
Batzloff, Todd
Beck, Glen
Berglund, James
Berman, Ben
Bloomquist, Terry
Boggs, William
Bondar, Debbie (2)
Borchers, Clyde (1)
Branch, Mike
Burr, Richard
Bush, William
Calleraert, Joseph
Carey, William
Casler, Wayne

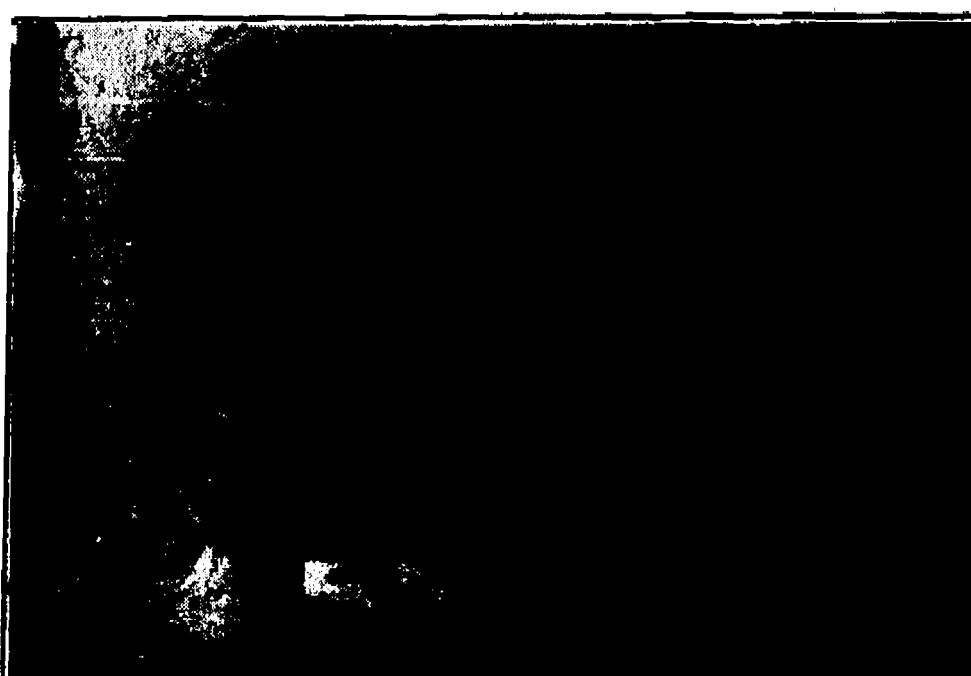
Cavitch, Vern
Ceszewski, Robert
Cherven, John (2)
Cohon, William
Commons, William
Coy, William
Crawford, James (1,2)
Crosby, Gary
Davis, Alton
Dami, Orland
Davis, Noreen
Decker, Jerry
Dice, George
DiPonio, Michael
Ditmer, Robert
Dobry, John
Duley, James
Dunn, Brian
Ely, Joseph (1)
Felder, Les (2)
Felix, Rusty
Fenn, Barry
Fick, Scott
Fiebelhorn, Ron
Fisher, Frederick
Fleming, Michael
Ford, Lloyd

Frederic, David
Frederick, Paul (1)
Freeman, Dennis (1)
Friske, Marlin
Gannon, William
Gates, Calvin (1)
Geiss, Donald (2)
Geeseman, Jeff
Gibbons, Thomas
Gillis, James
Goodale, Loren Jr. (1)
Goodale, Loren Sr. (1)
Gottfried, Robert (1,2)
Graham, Thomas (1)
Hangar, Floyd
Hanson, David
Hart, William
Hartman, Mark
Harris, James
Hawkins, David
Hees, Michael
Hembling, Joseph
Hickey, Robert
Holden, Woodward
Hogan, Roderick
Houlett, Orvis
Hubbard, Russ
Huff, Greg
Hull, Jack (1)
Hunter, John
Hunter, Larry
Huss, John (1)
Jason, William
Jaskowski, Richard
Johnson, Don
Jones, John M. (2)
Joyce Garland
Kaatz, Scott
Kammer, Ron
Kanary, James (2)*
Kehr, Raymond
Keir, John
Kelly, Dale
Kenney Keith
Kintner, Gene
Kindra, John
Kirkum, Mark
Klann, Ralph
Klinger, William

Kortes, Ted
Krendler, Richard
Lange, Michael
Lange, Raymond (2)
Lemire, Robert (2)

McLean, Robert
McNamara, Michael
McNamara, Thomas
McNamara, William
Melroy, Dale


Petroskey, Luke
Phillips, Ron
Phimey, Dale
Pietnik, Mitch
Porter, Robert
Quigley, Guy
Rabior, William
Radzwion, Robert(2)
Raymond, Larry
Regan, Jeff
Remsing, Scott
Reynolds, Kent
Rochette, Dennis
Roney, Thomas
Rosi, Tomlin
Ross, David
Rowland, Harvey (1)
Ruddy, Robert (2)
Ruddy, William
Rutter, William
Rousseau, Gary
Sabin, David
Sauter, Rudy (1)
Schans, Thomas
Schanz, Donald
Scheer, Bradley
Scheer, John
Schmoock, Norman
Schreiner, Al
Schuster, Ray
Schroeder, Bruce
Shea, Dan
Shepler, James
Shively, James
Sojka, James (1,2)
South, Jeff
Stancil, George
Steele, Michael
Sundelius, Robert
Swiercz, Raymond
Talmage, Jeffery
Taylor, Howard
Taylor, Thomas
Tompkins, Diane
Thompson, Randy (2)
Thompson, Sandy
Thompson, Steven
Thomson, Paul (1)
Trenary, Thomas
VanDerLaan, James
Vogler, David
Waggoner, Dan
Wakefield, Kurt
Wakeley, Joseph (2)
Walls, Cal
Walls, Charles
Weaver, Brad
Weber, Paul
Weideman, Harry (1)
Weikert, Terry
Woelmer, Frederick
Wood, Larry
Worden, Dale
Wright, Terry
Wyers, Daniel
Yates, Bonnie (2)
Young, Richard



ROTARY CLUB FUNDRAISING -- An average of \$10,000 is donated each year by the Grayling Rotary Club to numerous projects and agencies throughout Crawford County. In the past John Chevron (pictured above at right) presented a check to Bev McNamara of the Grayling Cooperative Preschool. These funds have been used to benefit many residents of this community.

Lerg, Paul
Lesinski, Norman
Levigne, Timothy
Lippert, Jack
Lochner, Dan
Lovely, David
Lovely, Leo (1)
Maker, Robert
Malm, David
Mansfield, Dennis
Masker, Donna
Mason, Jack (1)
Mattis, Larry (1)
McClanahan, Barry
McConnell, Gary
McCurdy, Robert
McEvers, Ted (1)
McGinnis, Jeff
McIssac, Irving (2)
McLachlan, Robert (1)
McLachlan, Robert Jr.
McLaughlin, Gary (2)

Meyer, David
Mick, Barbara
Miles, Nelson (1,2)
Millard, William
Moon, Owen
Moore, Tony
Moore, Wayne
Morford Jerry (2)
Mueller, Jerry
Naour, John (1)
Newman, Joseph (2)
Nicholas, Anthony
Nicholas, Dale
Nimke, Duane
Noss, Mark
Nowak, Walter
Nunn, Pat (1,2)
Palmer Marilyn
Parkinson, James
Parkinson, Kim
Parker, Norman
Paulsen, Dennis

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FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of May 11-17

ARIES March 21-April 19

You face challenges from those who think they know better. Smile and turn the other cheek, but be sure to make your points clearly. Now is the time for diplomacy and finesse. Taking the middle ground is the best way to go right now.

TAURUS April 20-May 20

While others change plans, keep to your own course. Focus on your goal and be willing to adjust your outlook if necessary. Be receptive to a night out with friends or loved ones—the break could do you good! Be careful not to put too much pressure on a loved one.

GEMINI May 21-June 20

Now is the time to sit on the sidelines and take stock of people and situations. Forging ahead without knowing what to expect could backfire. Listen and learn from others. Home, family problem could work itself out if you don't push too hard. You'll know when to make your move.

CANCER June 21-July 22

Your creativity hits a peak. You can create your own opportunities and take advantage of situations. Your ideas are inspiring and other people are attracted to your energy and enthusiasm. But remember that choices now have an impact later.

LEO July 23-August 22

Take stock of work, family life and determine exactly what is important and what you want. Recognize that you have to make choices and allocate time and resources. Take some quiet time and relax with your thoughts and dreams.

VIRGO August 23-September 22

Approach problems head-on for best results. Direct, energetic action gets at the roots of problems and concerns. Ask questions and listen to the answers. A loved one's health will improve and so will your spirits.

LIBRA September 23-October 22

Avoid the temptation to be extravagant with your friends and loved ones. Now is the time to keep a close eye on accounts and monitor your finances. A decision is overdue concerning a domestic situation. Trust your hunches and put your foot down.

SCORPIO October 23-November 22

Don't get angry with the perceived shortcomings of others. Realize that there can be several ways of dealing with a problem situation. Be direct and say what you mean—don't expect others to pick up on your signals. Friends and family will be there when you need them.

SAGITTARIUS November 23-December 21

Be careful not to try to do too much. Avoid the temptation to commit more time or money than you have. You also need to take time for yourself. Catch up on a delayed or neglected project or hobby.

CAPRICORN December 22-January 19

Energy is high and you can take on more responsibilities and tasks. A friend may be asking too much of you. Don't be afraid to say so and let the chips fall where they may. An invitation may lead to an adventure or may prompt you to make needed changes.

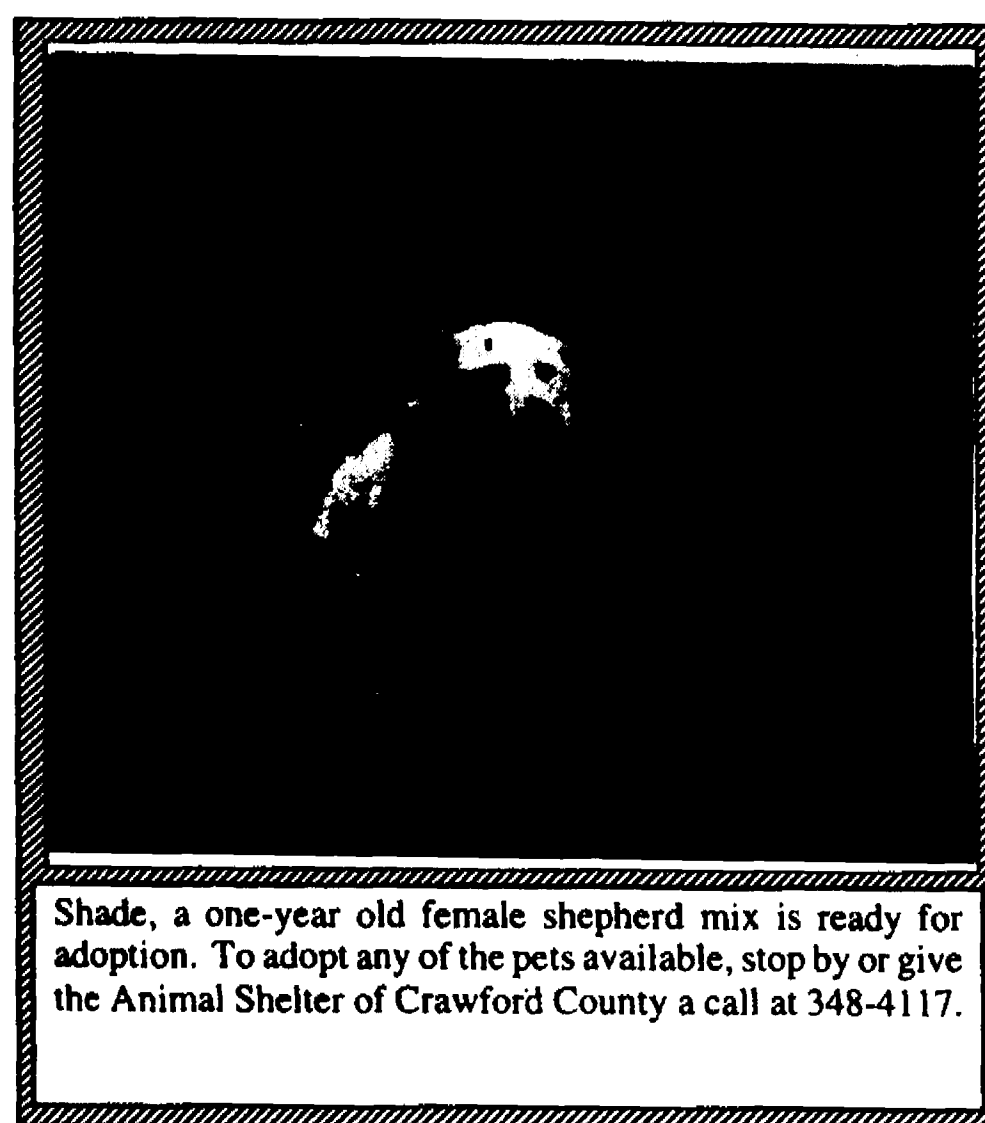
AQUARIUS January 20-February 19

Take a middle-of-the-road approach. Caution is an ally for you now. The best way to blunt others' forceful opinions is by sidestepping confrontations. A friend or loved one is caught up in future plans. Keep them focused and down-to-earth. Don't be afraid to use your sense of humor.

PISCES February 20-March 20

You can make more progress breaking away from the crowd and taking a different outlook. Be contrary but not confrontational. You have the right approach to solve a nagging problem.

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Shade, a one-year old female shepherd mix is ready for adoption. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

FILET MIGNON WITH COGNAC AND HERB SAUCE

Filet Mignon (French for dainty fillet) is both the leanest and the most tender of all cuts

Serves: 2

Time: 8-12 minutes

2 2-inch filets (tenderloin)
2 T. cognac
2 bread slices

Herb Sauce
1/4 pound butter, softened
1 clove garlic, crushed
1/4 t. chopped parsley
Salt & freshly ground pepper

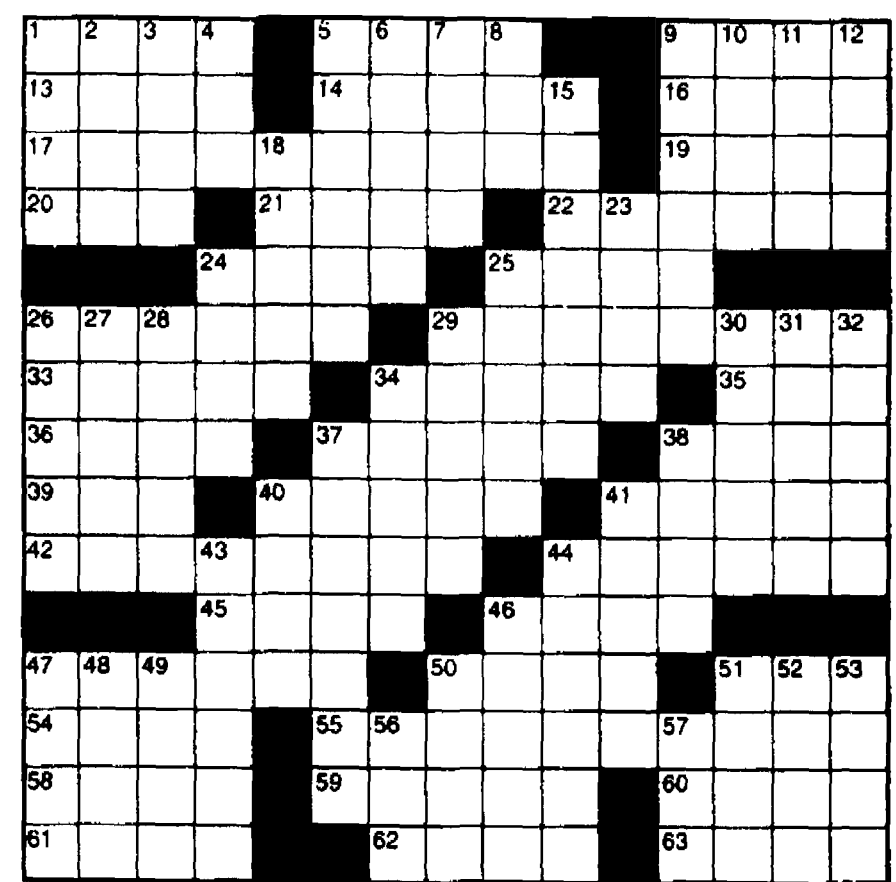
Filets should be room temperature. Preheat broiler to maximum temperature. Blend the ingredients for herb sauce. Place filets in shallow pan. Pour warmed cognac over both sides of meat and light with match. When flame goes out, spread half the herb sauce over top of meat; then place under broiler for 3 minutes. Turn and scoop herb sauce in pan on top of meat. Broil for another 3 minutes or until desired doneness. Cut bread to size of filets, toast it, and spread with remaining herb

sauce with remaining herb sauce. Place filets on top, adding juice from pan. Serve with red wine or champagne.



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5. Small valley
9. Tap dance, slangily
13. The luck of the
14. Bumper cars et al.
16. Know (2 wds.)
17. The Lost
19. Disencumbers
20. Scaredy cat's shout
21. Ear pain
22. Nearly
24. Leg bend
25. Malarial symptom
26. Word of appreciation
29. Stiffness
33. Compliments plus
34. Sour fruit
35. Spanish Mrs.
36. Once more
37. United
38. Imitated Icarus
39. "any drop to drink"
40. Penalized
41. Gather
42. Sessions
44. Separates
45. Walk through water
46. Actor Gwynne
47. Foment
50. Te Kanawa's time to shine
51. Gibbon
54. Streets

DOWN

55. Signed up
58. Put up, poker-style
59. December rain
60. Nailed on a slant
61. Prohibition crime fighter
62. Chaotic state
63. Amiss
28. Turn aside
29. There the hidden laughter... (T.S. Eliot)
30. Indonesia's myriad
31. Pleasant surprise
32. Gapes
34. Thrust
37. Keeper's partner
38. is that music (Keats)
40. Legal order
41. Stupendous
43. Curis around
44. Spots for watches
46. Makes hush puppies
47. David Bowie's model wife
48. Hawaiian goose
49. Felines
50. 1957 Pulitzer Prize winner James
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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago May 16, 1974

The 1974 edition of "Vacation Ideas" published by the national magazine, Better Homes & Gardens, is on the newstands and features a full-page on the Grayling region's outdoor activities of canoeing, trout fishing, Hartwick Pines, the Fred Bear Museum and other points of interest in Crawford County. Miss Margaret Douglas spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Calkins in Detroit and also visited her mother, Mrs. Margaret Craig. Their granddaughter accompanied them home.

Mrs. Ronnie Brown had the misfortune of breaking her knee cap. She underwent surgery at Munson Hospital. Her friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kahler and Junior of Ohio spent the weekend at their trailer.

Mrs. Marie Duby spent a few days in Midland visiting her daughters.

Henry Wheaton of Flint called on his mother, Marie Daly, last Sunday, Mother's Day. Also, her grandson and family, the Richard Smiths of Tustin, visited her.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson and children, Jodi and Jim, visited the David Englands and her parents, the Roy Smiths. Mrs. Smith returned home with them to Jackson for a few days and then went on to Rockford where she attended a Mother-Daughter Banquet with her daughter, Arlene Welch.

Mrs. Jessie Smock enjoyed attending the birthday party for her brother, Claud Reynolds who was 88 years old Sunday. It was held in Muskegon at the Gordon Reynolds home on Lake Michigan with about 60 people present.

Randy Thompson received his Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Biology at the graduation exercises of the University of Detroit last Saturday, May 11. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon (Sandy) Thompson attended the ceremonies,

as did his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Thompson of Frankenmuth. Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Jerome and daughter, Amy Laura from Las Vegas, Nevada, are guests of Mrs. Jerome's mother, Mrs. Anne Olson.

John Tobin, Richard Joseph and Mark Hanson have been selected to attend the 37th annual Wolverine Boys State, June 12 to 19 at Michigan State University in East Lansing.

May 16-18 are Poppy Days 1974 in Grayling. On these days, members of the American Legion Auxiliary will be in the public eye offering replicas of the bright red wildflowers which were so prevalent in the fields of France during World Wars I and II.

46 Years Ago May 17, 1951

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Such (Kathryn Charron) of Roscommon are happy over the arrival of a son at Mercy Hospital on May 11th. Marshall is his name. Mrs. Such will be spending a few days at the home of her father, Albert Charron before going home.

The Misses Marjorie and Barbara Nelson spent Mother's Day weekend at their parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Harwood of Bay City spent last weekend visiting relatives in Lovells. They returned home Monday and Mrs. Bud Caid and son accompanied them for a weeks visit.

Fred Koernke spent a few days in Cleveland, Ohio with his family.

Twenty-five friends of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Welsh gathered at their home at Lake Margrethe Sunday evening to surprise Tom on his birthday, which fell on Monday. A potluck dinner was enjoyed.

It was announced the first of this week by Charles Long that his new grocery and meat store on Cedar Street across from Spike's Keg O'Nails would be open near the end of this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Corwin have returned from Florida after spending the winter.

Miss Gloria Moore was home from Alma College to spend Mother's Day

weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerald Burns of Detroit spent the weekend visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Burns. Clare Burns was home from Central Michigan for Mother's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Gallagher and three sons of Flint spent Mother's Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Montour.

Miss Lucille Wakeley was home from Central Michigan College the past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. L.J. Douglas spent from Thursday until Sunday in Grand Rapids to attend a State Amareth Meeting and also stropped in Holland to see the tulips.

69 Years Ago May 17, 1928

The demon fire cut loose again last week and destroyed from eight to ten thousand acres of forest. It started in section 27, town 27-2 in the forest reserve. There was much fine timber in that region and practically all was destroyed. The fire traveled east and north and reached nearly to Lovells and also southeast, crossing the North Branch of the AuSable River and reached nearly to the Main Stream of the AuSable near the Rainbow and Chicago Clubs.

Carl Hagman, a well known and highly esteemed resident of Grayling since the autumn of 1902 passed away at his home in this city, Friday evening, following a long illness.

Those taking part in "Yanki San" given by the Girls Glee Club are: Marie Schmidt, Norma Wheeler, Corrine Sheldon, Dorothy Roberts, Elmer Fenton, Miss Adams, Isbrand Harder, Stanley Stephan, Kendall Stinchcomb, Julian Smith, Howard Schmidt, Grace Parker, Margaret Warren, Pauline Lietz, Mary Murphy, Laura Ensign, Irene Speck, Viola Kennedy, Wilma Burrows, Elsie Johnson, Mary Shumann, Alice LaBrush, Ellen Speck and Nadine MacNeven.

The farm house of Mr. and Mrs.

Joseph J. Royce in South Branch Township was the scene of a happy event last Saturday, the occasion being their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Steve Jennings of Detroit spent Mother's Day with his mother, Mrs. Frank Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bissonette are moving into the house formerly occupied by R.D. Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hanson returned home after spending the winter months with their daughter, Mrs. Willard Campbell at Mt. Pleasant.

A wedding of interest to their many friends was that of Miss Anna C. Peterson and Mr. Alfred Hanson that took place last night at the parsonage at the Danish Lutheran Church. Miss Ingeborg Hanson attended the bride and Mr. Harry Hemmingson acted as bestman.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Capstraw of Ferndale are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son born last week. Mrs. Capstraw was formerly Miss Frances Trudeau.

Miss Edna Taylor spent the weekend with her father, Oscar Taylor and her little brother, Charles.

Herluf Sorenson and family have moved into the Olaf Sorenson house on the corner of Park and Ionia Streets.

George Land, Arnold Lauridson and Carl Smith who are employed in Niles, spent a few days last week with their families here.

Earl Dawson is a proud possessor of a new Graham Paige Sedan.

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5/8	61	22	.03"
5/9	57	32	.64"
5/10	44	44	.08"
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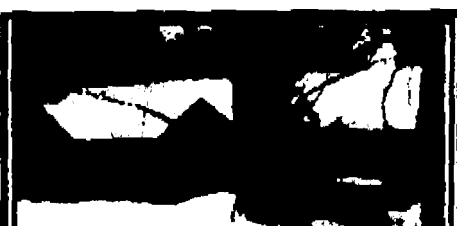
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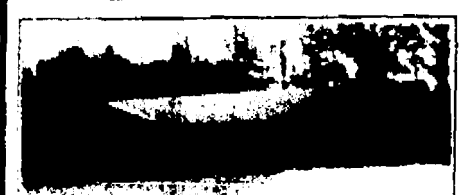
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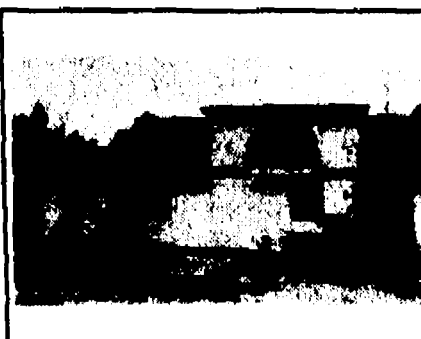
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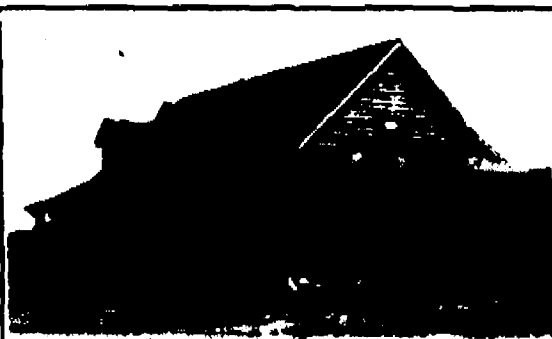
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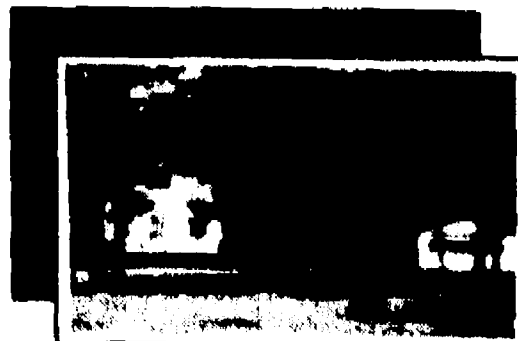
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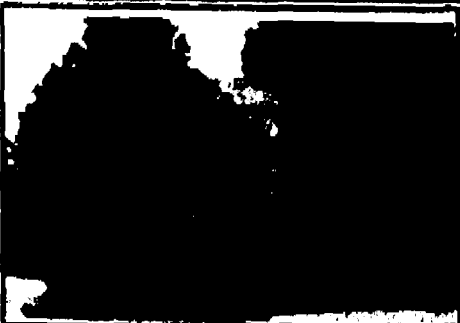
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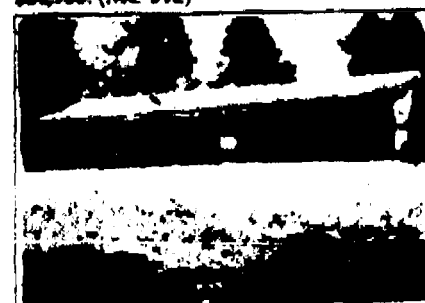
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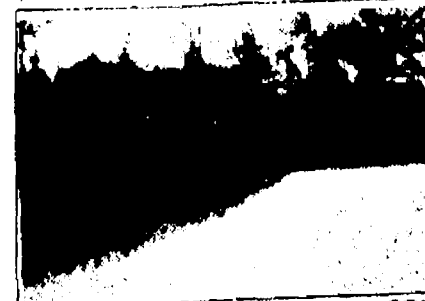
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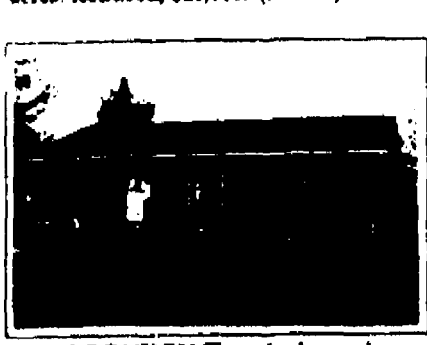
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KAREN WOODS Large wooded lot, close to town. Four-bedroom home with garage and swimming pool. Natural gas hot water heat, close to Lake Margrethe. \$78,500. (DL-47)

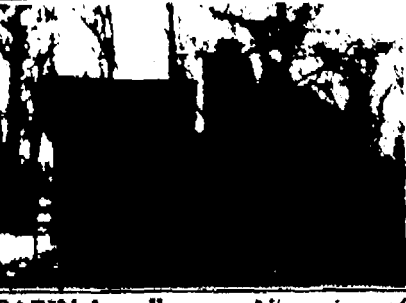
NEW HOME under construction—hurry and you can pick out colors of siding, carpet, etc. Three bedrooms, 1,120 sq. ft. \$36,900. (DL-76)



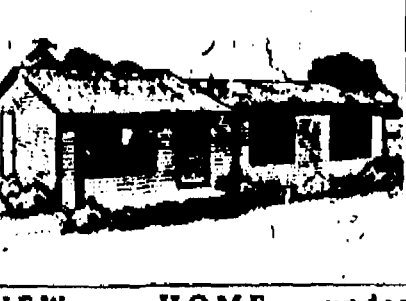
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CABIN Lovella area. Nice view of Big Creek. One-bedroom modern cabin, near fishing, hunting and snowmobiling. Shares well with neighbor. Owner financing. \$39,900. (DL-77)



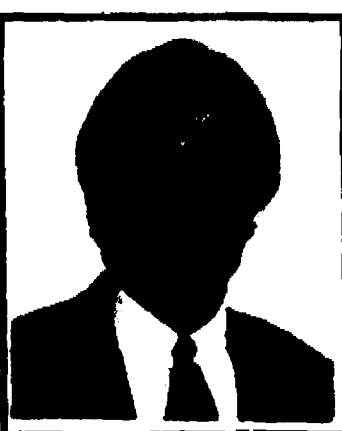
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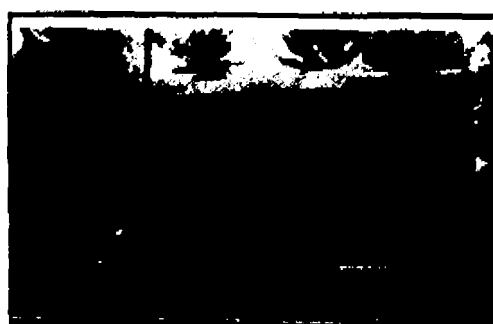
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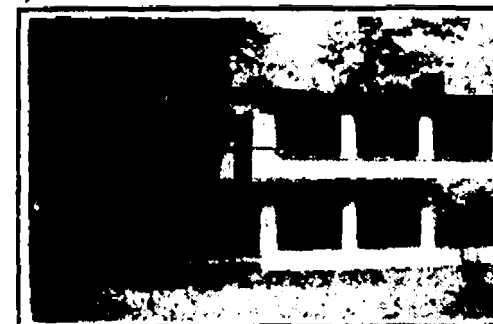
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COUNTRY CHARM, 1,727 SQ. FT. RANCH WITH FULL BASEMENT, Andersen windows and double sliding glass doors onto deck, double-sided fireplace, vaulted ceilings, spacious rooms, four bedrooms, two baths, family room in basement, 1.7 acres. Knotty pine T&G interior. Above-ground pool. Hot water B/B and solar heating system. \$82,800. Price reduced, \$68,500. CH-507



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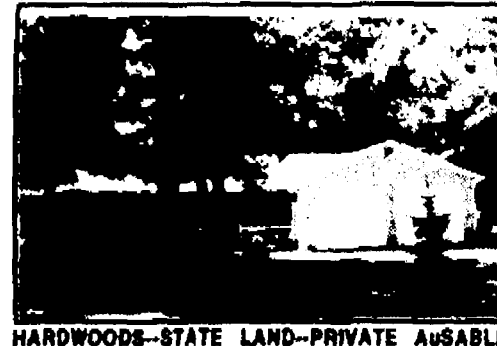
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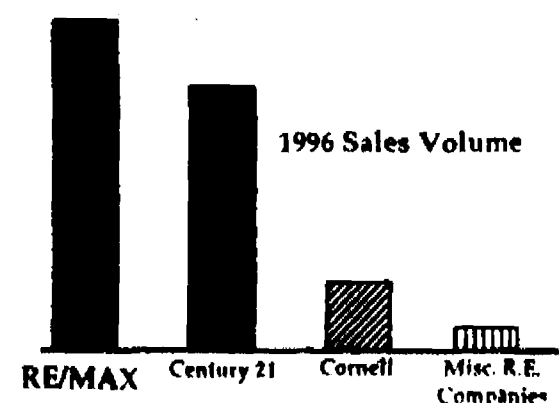
GOOD THINGS DO COME IN SMALL PACKAGES This is one of them! The kitchen makes every meal a feast. Clean and uncluttered, cozy and efficient. Relax in the living room warmed by the Earth's sun. The master bedroom offers a private bathroom. Fully finished basement with laundry facilities. Nicely landscaped yard offers fruit trees, lawn swing, outdoor lighting. 10x14 porch shaded with electric. Full sun deck, attached garage. \$48,500. CS-630



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3. Employment

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3. Employment

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3. Employment

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REGISTRAR: Kirtland Community College in Roscommon, Michigan is seeking a full - time Registrar. Primary responsibility will be coordination of college registration activities and maintenance of student record system; compiles data, surveys, and reports on enrollment and educational activities for college administration, government and other external agencies. Minimum qualifications: Bachelor's degree in education, administration or related field; three to five years of experience in a community college; or a combination of education and experience commensurate with the requirements of the position. Salary range of \$ 27,726 to \$41,590 commensurate with education and experience; excellent fringe benefit package. Applications will be accepted until June 9, 1997. Send cover letter, resume, transcripts and three letters of recommendation to Kathy Barber, Coordinator of Personnel & Business Services, Kirtland Community College, 10775 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon Michigan, 48653; Fax number 517-275-8210; e-mail address barberk@k2.kirtland.cc.mi.us. Kirtland Community College is an equal employment opportunity affirmative action employer. -15/3

ATTENTION RETIRED FORESTERS Part-time forestry position. Set your own flexible schedule. Send resume to Crawford - Roscommon Conservation District, P.O. Box 156, Roscommon, MI 48653. -15-22-29-5/3

SERVICE ADVISOR
Immediate opening for Service Advisor. Experience preferred, but will train. Computer knowledge helpful. Call Nancy, 1-616-258-9178, or send resume to Voice Motor Sales, M-72 West, Kalkaska, MI 49646. -15/3

DETAIL PERSON
Immediate opening for Detail Person. Call Nancy, 1-616-258-9178, or send resume to Voice Motor Sales, M-72 West, Kalkaska, MI 49646. -15/3

WANTED Full-time seasonal help
June through August, in the Grayling Township Assessor's office. Duties will include both office and field work in Grayling Township. The successful candidate will have a pleasant personality, be a meticulous note taker, have reliable transportation and be able to work with a county map, tape measure and a Polaroid camera. Applications are available between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm at the Grayling Township Offices at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling. -15-22/3

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3. Employment

TEM ENTERPRISES is looking for seasonal help for local beach and campground. Call 517 685-2407 for information. -8-15/3

PART-TIME SECRETARY: Needed for weekend help. Must have good phone skills. Please send resume to: RE/MAX of Grayling, Attn: Craig Hinkle, P.O. Box 550, Grayling, MI 49738. -5/8/97t/3

YOUTH CAMP Health officer for the month of July and August. Camp located half way between Kalkaska and Grayling on M-72 then 2 miles north on Lake Valley Road. Call 810-737-4271. -8-15/3

LIFE GUARD For youth camp, for the month of July and August. Camp located half way between Kalkaska and Grayling on M-72 then 2 miles north on Lake Valley Road. Call 810-737-4271. -8-15/3

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WANTED- Part time teller. Could work into full time. Good cash handling skills, general office skills a plus. Send resume to: Applications, P.O. Box 727, Roscommon, MI 48653. -8-15/3

SERVICES COORDINATOR: two years experience and or education in human services field required. Position provides support for subcontracted services and technical assistance to subcontractors. Assist with the management of the Senior Companion Program. Multi-county travel required. Salary range: \$ 17,600 - \$ 26,400 plus benefits. Applicants should submit resume and letter of interest identifying job applied for to: Personnel Director, NEMCSA, 2375 Gordon Road, Alpena, MI 49707 no later than May 22, 1997. EOE. Upon request auxiliary aids and services will be made available to individuals with disabilities. -15/3

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3. Employment

WAGON WHEEL LAUNDROMAT is looking for summer help, must be at least 18 years of age. Apply in person at Wagon Wheel Laundromat next to McDonalds in Grayling. -8-15/3

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3. Employment

POSITION OPENING: Retired Senior Volunteer Director (RSVP). Responsible for development and operation of the RSVP program in Crawford and Roscommon counties. Must have strong management and organizational skills. Salary range \$13,500 - \$16,500. Applications and job descriptions available at the COA, 308 Lawndale, Grayling. Deadline for applications May 29, 1997. EOE. -15-22/3

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DESCRIPTION: Full-time secretarial position responsible to the building principal with responsibility as a receptionist, maintaining student records, internal accounts, filing and all related duties as assigned by the principal.

WORK YEAR: 206 days per year plus holiday and vacation, 8 hours per day, 8 am to 4:30 pm.

QUALIFICATIONS: This individual must:
• possess strong organizational skills and be able to work as a team player with staff, parents and children in a patient and highly-professional manner;
• demonstrate strong word processing and data entry skills especially on an IBM computer using the software Windows, WordPerfect 8.0 and dBase;
• be able to handle multi-tasks with many interruptions and maintain confidentiality;
• be able to keep accurate records; be responsible for attendance and student records;
• possess good communication and telephone skills;
• Knowledge of Frederic attendance area that includes Lovells and Maple Forest preferred;

• ability to work effectively with elementary-aged students; previous experience with elementary school age students in a school setting preferred
• high school diploma and ability to pass the MEAP test;
• first aid experience preferred.

SALARY: According to Contract.
CONTACT: Paul B. Lerg, Assistant Superintendent, Crawford AuSable School District, 403 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

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5. For Sale

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HELP WANTED - Adults, come cooking experience preferred. Also high school students. Call 348-3171 or apply in person at CUPS & CONES, M-72 West, from 1-5. -15/3

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JUNE 2ND MAY BE your last chance. Grayling Township Meeting, 7 p.m., Middle School Cafeteria. Finally, after 26 years, a master plan. Help create a town your children can grow up in and have jobs to keep them here. Let your pride in Grayling show. -15-22/5

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8. Announcements

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FOXY LADIES 18 Hole League seeking additional golfers for Monday's 9AM call Helen Corbett, 348-7559(or) Fox Run 348-4343. -1-8-15-22/8

WELCOME WAGON HOSTESS'S Call Betty Mansfield, 348-8582, or Mary Lou Passmore, 348-5816, if you are a newcomer, engaged, or a new mother. 8/3/95/d/8

WHO SAID YOU CAN'T eat fish on Tuesday. Enjoy Spike's Tuesday night fish fry with extended hours from 4 - 10 p.m. All you care to eat just \$5.95 and \$3.25 for kids. -5/8/97/d/8

DO YOU WANT to be a better parent? New Life Community Service is offering education/support groups from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. as follows: "General Parenting" on Mondays, May 12 - June 23; "Parenting Your Teenager" on Wednesdays, May 14 - June 18; and "Step Parenting" on Thursdays, May 15 - June 19. Call and save your place today! 517/348-2544. -8-15/8

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES Come to the police, fire and EMS Patch/Badge Collectors Show, Sun., May 18th at the Grayling Holiday Inn from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission \$2, 16 yrs. and older. 15 yrs. and younger free with paying adult. Old and new patches, badges and memorabilia, unique and prize winning displays. Buy, sell, swap. -15/8

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7. Miscellaneous

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RUMMAGE/CRAFT/BAKE SALE Warblers Hideaway, 2704 Lovells Rd. Sat., May 24, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tables available \$10 - \$5. Contact Ann 517-348-3927. -15-22/10

MERCY MANOR is having a yard sale May 23 and May 24, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Proceeds to benefit residents of Mercy Manor. -15-22/10

MORE THAN JUST A RUMMAGE Couch table, end table, leaded glass top with caned shelf. Refrigerator, TV, stereo with speakers, crafts, lamps, some fishing tackle. New 16ft. boat, motor, trailer with extras. Lots of misc. Fri., 16, Sat. 17, Sun., 18. 9-6. 3871 Grove. The end of Old Shaw Park Rd. -15/10

GARAGE ESTATE SALE Friday and Saturday, 9 - 5. 908 Little John, Sherwood Forest. Lots of everything. May 16 & 17. -15/10

TWO LOCATIONS Six family sale. Clothes, baby to adult. Household items, canning jars, books, toys, misc. Thurs., Fri., Sat. 145 and 200 Fulton St., 9 - 4. Sorry no checks. -15/10

GARAGE SALE: Fri., May 16th and Sat., May 17th, 9 - 5. Crib, stroller, men, women and children's clothing, cordless phone and many household items. 400 Ingham St. -15/10

CRAWFORD AUSABLE LITERACY Network Rummage Sale. May 17 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. 402 Peninsular Ave. Donations accepted. Help someone to read. 348-7741 ext 550. -15/10

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11. Automotive

GARAGE SALE: May 17, 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Furniture, kitchen items, girls and womens clothing, bikes and misc. Behind Evergreen Park Grocery (BP Station), north end Higgins Lake. -15/10

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GARAGE SALE - Household items - tools, etc. 1772 Island Park Dr. (off Evergreen Dr.) Friday, May 23rd, May 24th and May 25th, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. -15/10

GARAGE SALE May 16, Fri. only - twin bed head board, frig., clothing, dishes, cups, books, toys, misc. 206 Misty Way, Grayling, off of Roberts Rd. Follow signs. -15/10

IMMEDIATE MOVING SALE: Most furniture, antiques, karaoke, medical items, TV headphones, videos, games, much more. Must sell by June 20. Call 348-3348. -15-22/10

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Governor's plan released to fix roads

Gov. John Engler announced a bold plan today to fix Michigan's roads. Build Michigan II will improve more than 3,300 miles of road each year — an increase of 1,125 miles repaired annually. Over the next 10 years, the plan will improve every state road in Michigan that needs repair. Spending on road construction and repair will climb by more than \$2.8 billion over five years.

Build Michigan II is the most comprehensive and ambitious plan to improve and reform Michigan's

11. Automotive

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transportation system in nearly 50 years.

"The goal of Build Michigan II is shared by every driver," said Engler, "repairing our roads so that our transportation system is second to none."

Build Michigan II features three basic components:

• Repair — raising more revenue to increase the number of miles of roadway that are repaired and resurfaced each year.

• Reform — increasing efficiency and accountability of Michigan's transportation system while redirecting the savings to invest in roads.

• Responsibility — assuming responsibility for more than 23,000 miles of heavily travelled city and county roads.

Engler explained that Michigan's current transportation system — created at the turn of the century — includes a hodgepodge of jurisdictions in which cities, counties and the state are responsible for a maze of different road types.

Building Michigan II eliminates the confusing maze of road jurisdictions by giving the state the responsibility of building, repairing and maintaining all roads that support the economy — roads that allow people to get to work and roads that get raw materials to factories and products to market.

The state road system will grow from less than 10,000 miles to more than 33,000 miles. These roads are the most heavily travelled — and the most expensive to maintain — and are the only roads in Michigan that meet eligibility requirements for federal aid. In fact, with Build Michigan II in place, 90 percent of the traffic in Michigan will be on state-maintained roads and highways.

Michigan's cities and counties will retain jurisdiction over more than 85,000 miles of roads — roads that are less travelled and the least costly to maintain. This new definition of responsibilities will enhance

connectivity of roads, allow for more efficient investment decisions, and give relief for local governments from high-cost, high-volume roads. With competitive bidding for maintenance, the most efficient county and city road departments will be able to do more work.

"The bottom line is that the quality of Michigan roads shouldn't change at the county line," said Engler. "We can't fix all the roads until we fix the system."

Engler also expressed confidence that bipartisan efforts in Washington would succeed in bringing back an additional \$200 million annually to spend on roads. Looking at the five plans already introduced in the U.S. Congress, the average increase for Michigan is \$209 million.

Build Michigan II includes system-wide reforms that increase revenue by \$130 million yearly.

In addition, tort reform to stop outrageous lawsuits provides another \$10 million and "wrap-up" of insurance coverage for construction projects is expected to save \$30 million. Altogether, these reforms will provide an additional \$170 million to invest in Michigan roads.

To raise another \$200 million, Build Michigan II includes a four-cent

increase in the state gas tax. Engler also emphasized that if the federal government simply invested the 4.3 cent gas tax increase enacted in 1993 in roads instead of deficit reduction, Michigan could avoid a tax increase.

With the increase from 15 to 19 cents, Michigan's gas tax remains below the national average, is the same as Illinois and is below every Great Lakes state except Indiana.

"The increase in the gas tax amounts to less than 50 cents a week — or about \$22 a year — for the average driver," Engler concluded.

"But not one penny will be spent to increase the number of employees at MDOT. Build Michigan II is not a plan to build government. It is a plan to build and repair Michigan's roads into the next century. But we don't have until the next century to get moving. I urge the legislature get it done by July 1 so that the new system can be in place by Oct. 1."

"To put it simply, Build Michigan will repair more roads than ever before, invest every dollar of new resources in roads, simplify jurisdictions, improve accountability, increase efficiency and prepare our transportation system for the 21st century," Engler concluded.

BITS OF TALK

by Fay Bovee — 348-7017

Bruce and Corrine Smith of Grayling and their son and wife, Terry and Janice Smith of Bellaire recently spent a week in Washington, Georgia, visiting Bruce and Corrine's daughter and husband, Kim and Les Sales.

Patti Coe graduated magna cum laude on May 3, 1997, from Central Michigan University with a B.S. degree in Sociology. Attending the graduation besides her husband, Tim, were their children, Heidi and Paul, of Grayling, and other family members, Priscilla Aldrich of West Branch, and Tom and May Coe of Kalkaska.

Sammy Williams enjoyed having her daughter, Sharon Stinson, of Gwinn spend a week with her while Sammy had a week's vacation from the Holiday Inn. They had a family get-together while Sharon was here and celebrated Charles Stinson's graduation from CMU on May 3. Steven Stinson and their son, Lewis, also spent four days with the family.

Mark and Margaret Cook flew to Nevada where they rented a car and spent ten days vacationing in Laughlin, Nevada, and Sedona, Arizona. Mark said they had a very good time.

Another home in the 600 block of Chestnut Street is taking on a new look with new siding. It is a big improvement in the house that was owned at one time by Perry and Beverly Wells and as we understand it, the interior had suffered a lot of water

damage from broken pipes. Congratulations to whoever is fixing it up!

Beth Schreiner, daughter of Karl and Marge Schreiner, has finished her third year at Lake Superior State University, Sault Ste. Marie, and is spending the summer at home working part-time at Goodale's Bakery. The Schreiners went to the Soo the first week in May to bring her home.

David Hunter, son of Kay Hunter received his medical degree from the College of Human Medicine at Michigan State University last Saturday morning in graduation ceremonies held at Wharton Center. Attending graduation were his mother, his brother, Michael Hunter, Joni Hall, John and Barbara Sojka, and Les Hunter of Grayling, David's fiancée, Sheri Stafford of Flint, and Tanya Stephens of Indianapolis, and friends from Chicago, Lansing, St. Johns and Mio. A reception was held at Mijo's Restaurant in Lansing. Dr. Hunter will be going to Hurley Hospital in Flint for his residency in pediatrics.

Mike and Joyce Ingalls have returned home after spending since last October in various places throughout the states. They went to Las Vegas in the fall where their son, Ray, is stationed at Nellis AF Base and spent three and one half months. Upon leaving Nevada they stopped in Quartzite, Arizona, to spend nine days and attend the Good Sam Ham Radio Rally where 52 units, all ham radio operators, took part. They took the southern route to Brunswick, Georgia, to spend five weeks with their daughter and husband, Joyce and Joe Ely, and then started north, spending a week in various places enroute. After traveling through seventeen states they came home by way of Iron Mountain, Michigan, where they visited another daughter and husband, Marcia and Terry St. Vincent and saw their five-month-old great-grandson, Austyn, for the first time.

11. Automotive

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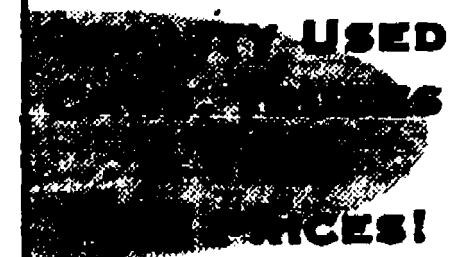
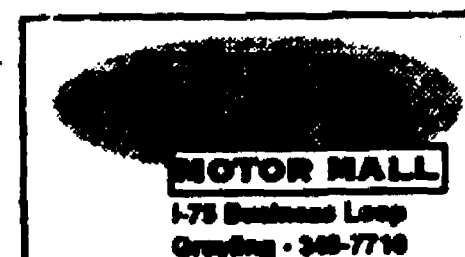
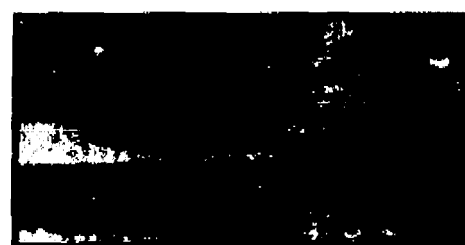


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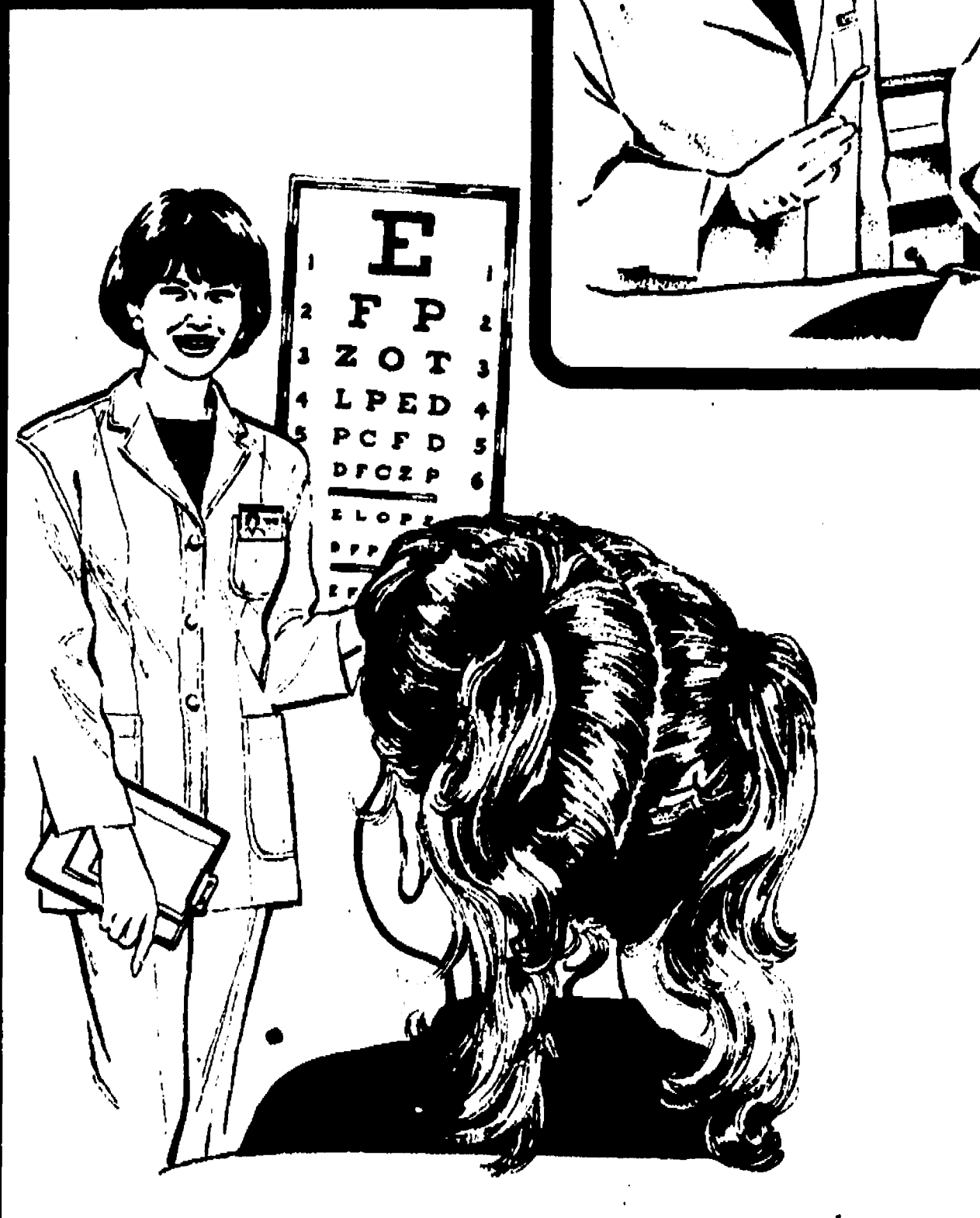
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Back surgery has a chiropractic alternative

Chiropractic care may help patients avoid unnecessary back surgery and help control a \$50 billion a year epidemic of low back pain in the United States, according to a monograph examining chiropractic as an alternative to surgery for low back pain.

At any given time, 15 to 20 percent of adults suffer from low back pain and up to 90 percent will experience it at some time in their lives. "Chiropractic for Low Back Pain: An Alternative to Surgery," prepared by Deborah L. Callahan, M.A., and Arnold E. Cianciulli, M.S., D.C., for the Foundation for Chiropractic Education and Research and funded by the National Mutual Chiropractic Insurance Company, constructs a compelling argument for accepting chiropractic as a legitimate alternative to low back surgery.

An analysis of the rates and costs of back surgeries in the U.S. yields some disconcerting figures. In 1990, 279,000 back surgeries were performed, more than twice the number that took place just 10 years earlier. Between 1979 and 1987, discectomies increased 75 percent and spinal fusion rates rose 200 percent. Yet, the effectiveness of surgery for the treatment of low back pain is largely unsubstantiated and reports of failed back surgeries range between 15 and 40 percent, with some estimates as high as 70 percent.

Both the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research in the U.S., and the National Health Services of Great Britain have endorsed spinal manipulation as an effective intervention for low back pain in their recently published guidelines. After a review of surgical intervention for low back pain, the British guidelines concluded that "there is no

good scientific evidence on the effectiveness of surgical treatment for back pain" and goes on to state that "scientific research and controlled trials to test the effectiveness of fusion and other forms of surgical treatment for back pain are needed."

To place an order for a copy of the study, contact the FCER at (800) 622-6309.

Health Fair scheduled for seniors

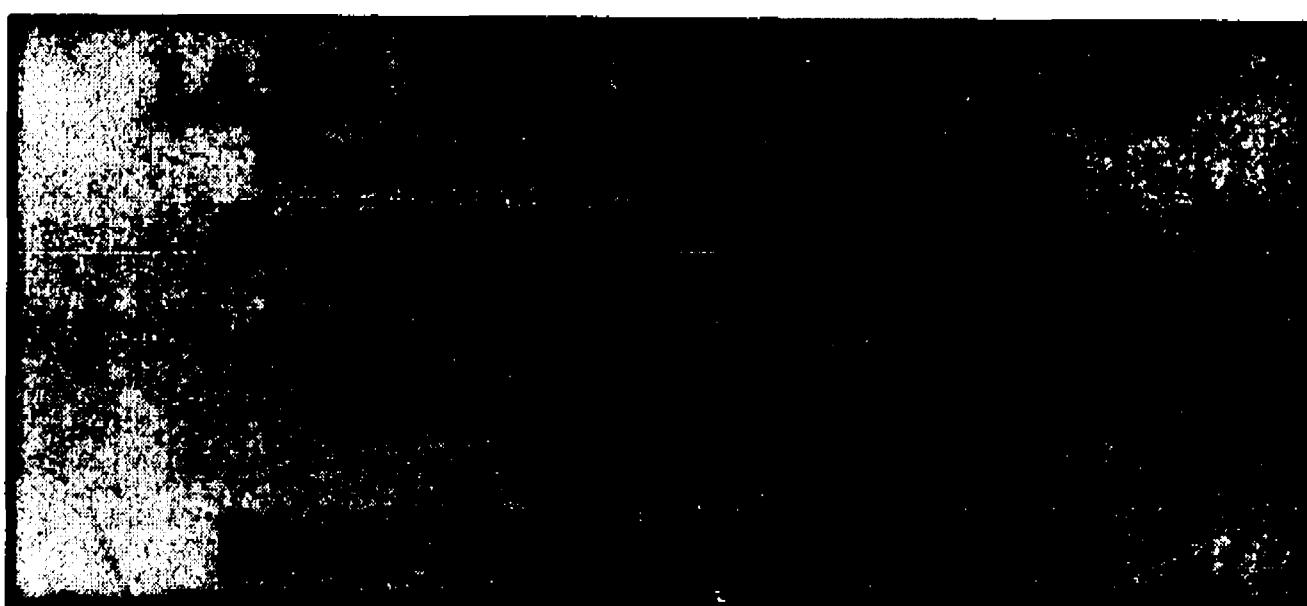
Senior Life with Style Health Fair, put on by Northern Michigan Health Services (NMHS), marks its 15th year on Wednesday, May 28. The Health Fair is held at the Holiday Inn of Houghton Lake, with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m.

A variety of health screening services are available throughout the morning session including blood screening for cholesterol, glucose and hemoglobin levels, height/weight, posture analysis and many more services. Several area agencies will be on hand to share information on services they provide to senior citizens.

Dr. David L. Nadolski, medical director at NU Bones Osteoporosis Center in Midland, and Dr. Harris W. Weaver, a rheumatologist also from Midland, will be guest speakers at Senior Life with Style this year.

Brochures, with registration forms, have been mailed to area seniors. The brochures are available at NMHS Houghton Lake Health Services, Northpoint Clinic in Roscommon, and Grayling Primary Health Care in Grayling. Additionally, they can be picked up at area senior centers, hospitals, and the Health Department offices in Houghton Lake. For more information or to have a brochure mailed to your home, please call NMHS Administration office at 517-422-5148.

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Your doctor, physician assistant or nurse practitioner is interested in you when you are healthy, not just when you are ill. By taking an active role in preventive medicine, your provider is telling you he or she is interested in keeping you as healthy as possible. Preventive health care saves you money by allowing your family provider to detect many problems early, when they are easiest and least costly to treat.

Sometimes they will refer you to a specialist. However, you may not need specialists for your family's various illnesses, and this can save you time and money. The health care partnership is built on continuing contact between you and your primary care provider, the one who specializes in you.

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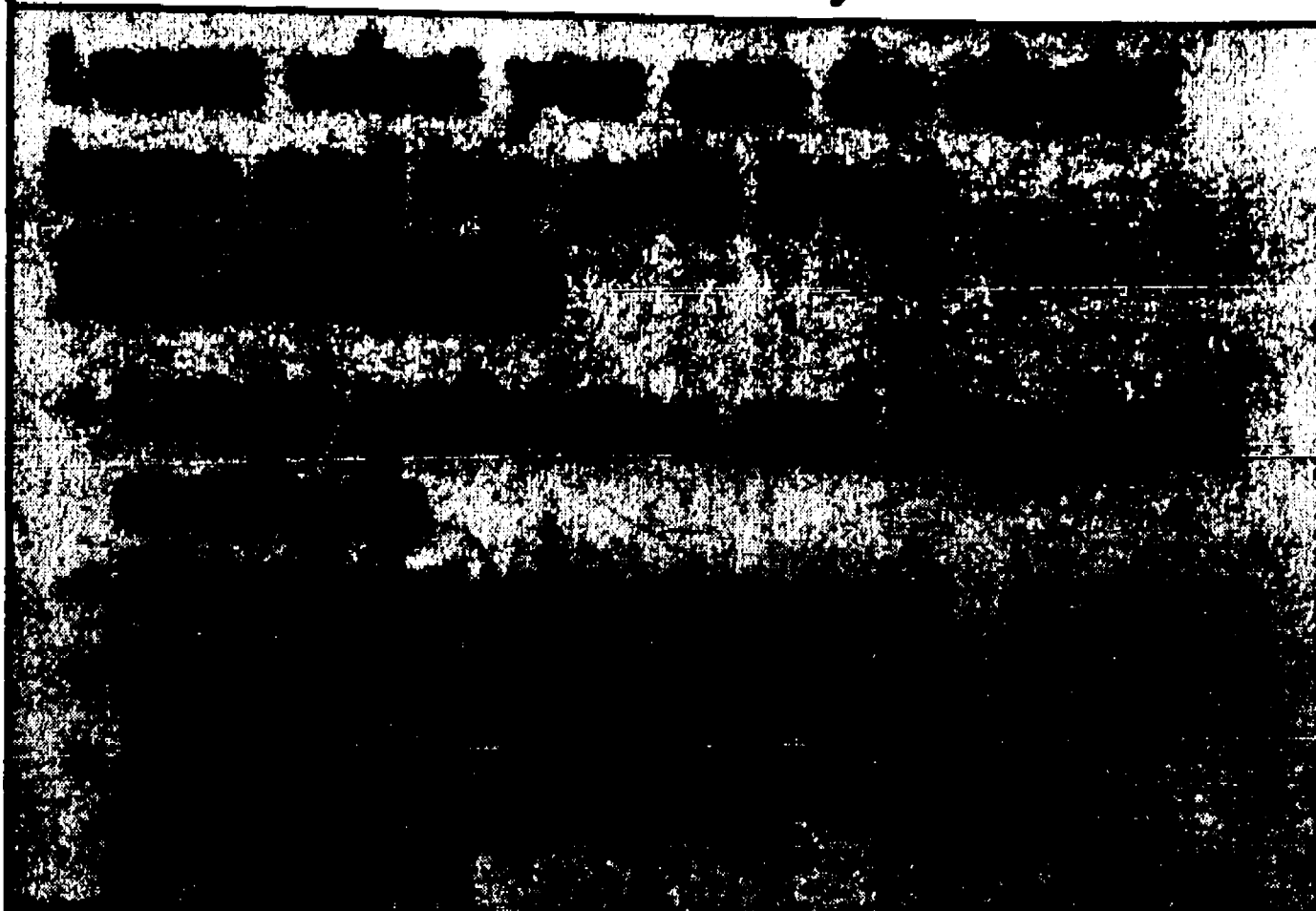
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Local hospital offers program for area business employers

A customized occupational health program has been developed for area employers who are interested in getting injured employees back to work and keeping current staff healthy.

Mercy's new Occupational Health Services Department was designed to be a medical "one-stop shopping" resource for businesses, whether they employ one or 600 workers. The program links the area's business community to Mercy's 33 physicians and a diversity of hospital services.

"Healthcare doesn't always know what business wants," said Keitha Knepp, director of Occupational Health Services. "It's difficult to mesh those two areas. Historically, that's how things are. We're trying to blend that."

Meeting the needs of smaller employers is important to Knepp, a native of Mio.

"They haven't had the luxury of having an in-house safety person or an in-house nurse," she said.

The new program covers needs as simple as the development of a form, to management of an injury, to the complex task of creating and administering of a total program. On-site services such as pulmonary function testing, vaccinations and wellness programs are available to businesses in the Mercy Hospital service area.

"Wellness programs can be especially beneficial to the company reliant on a small pool of workers," said Knepp. "With having so few people, you really want to take care of them because your resources become limited even if one person is out."

"The point is, take care of your people, then they will be there for you," Knepp added.

Worksite wellness programs increase morale, reduce absenteeism and reduce insurance claims related to chronic disease. Wellness programs can be focused on a number of health issues, such as smoking, weight control/nutrition, stress management or substance abuse. Services may also include on-site cholesterol and blood pressure screening.

"Mercy's goal is to help employers promote a healthy employee population by providing a continuum of care — from physical examinations and screening for job placement to emergency care and rehabilitation," said Knepp. "Providing employers with quality medical care at reasonable cost is our goal."

Mercy used a customized approach to achieve the highest level of positive outcomes. By using a variety of resources, the local hospital can help business and industry control factors that impact the bottom line: time away from the job, processing paperwork, turnaround time and referrals to specialty physicians.

Emergency and Injury Care

Mercy Hospital offers business and industry access to 24-hour, seven-day-a-week emergency and injury care. At Mercy, the staff understands the need to assess and treat workers quickly and efficiently to maximize care and reduce time away from the job. Radiology, laboratory and cardiopulmonary needs can be met at anytime. Mercy is also educating its physicians and nurses on employer worker's compensation issues regarding the treatment of recordable injuries.

Betty Stelter, R.N., is a certified occupational health nurse and a former human resources manager and employee health nurse at Four Winns, a Cadillac business with 650 employees. One of four certified occupational health nurses in northern Michigan, Stelter left Four Winns to become the community health care specialist for Mercy's Physician-Hospital Organization.

She brings with her years of case management, worker's compensation and disability

experience. Stelter's expertise in these areas has enhanced the occupational health program designed for business and industry.

Physical Examinations

Mercy offers physical examinations to help employers match workers with job requirements and to provide specific tests for regulated positions. Pre-placement and periodic physicals are provided and tailored to meet the unique needs of each business.

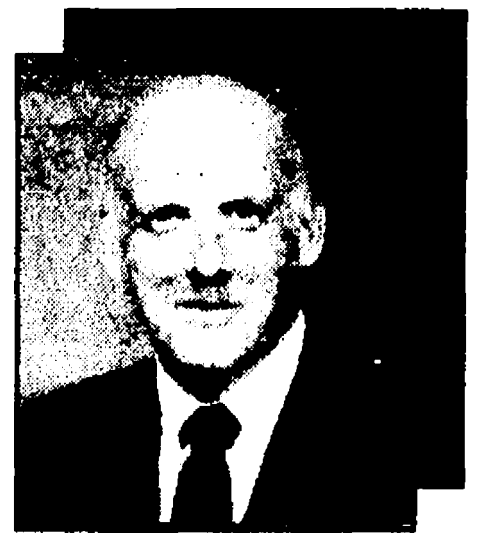
Physical examinations also help employers identify at-risk employees, as well as specific job accommodation needs. Physicians, along with a team of skilled health care workers, deliver these services and conduct needed follow-up on a one-to-one basis.

Wellness and Education

Many area employers are concerned about promoting a safe working environment. By providing employees with specific training programs for better understanding of job-related functions, injuries may be decreased and employers' costs can be kept to a minimum. Wellness programs can provide employees with the knowledge and skills necessary to develop a healthier lifestyle.

To help carry out a health promotion program aimed at improving the employee's health status, the following programs are available: back training, cholesterol screening, CPR training, flu vaccinations, smoking cessation, weight management, drug screening, occupational exposure education, first aid education, stress management, risk factor reduction, and cardiac rehabilitation.

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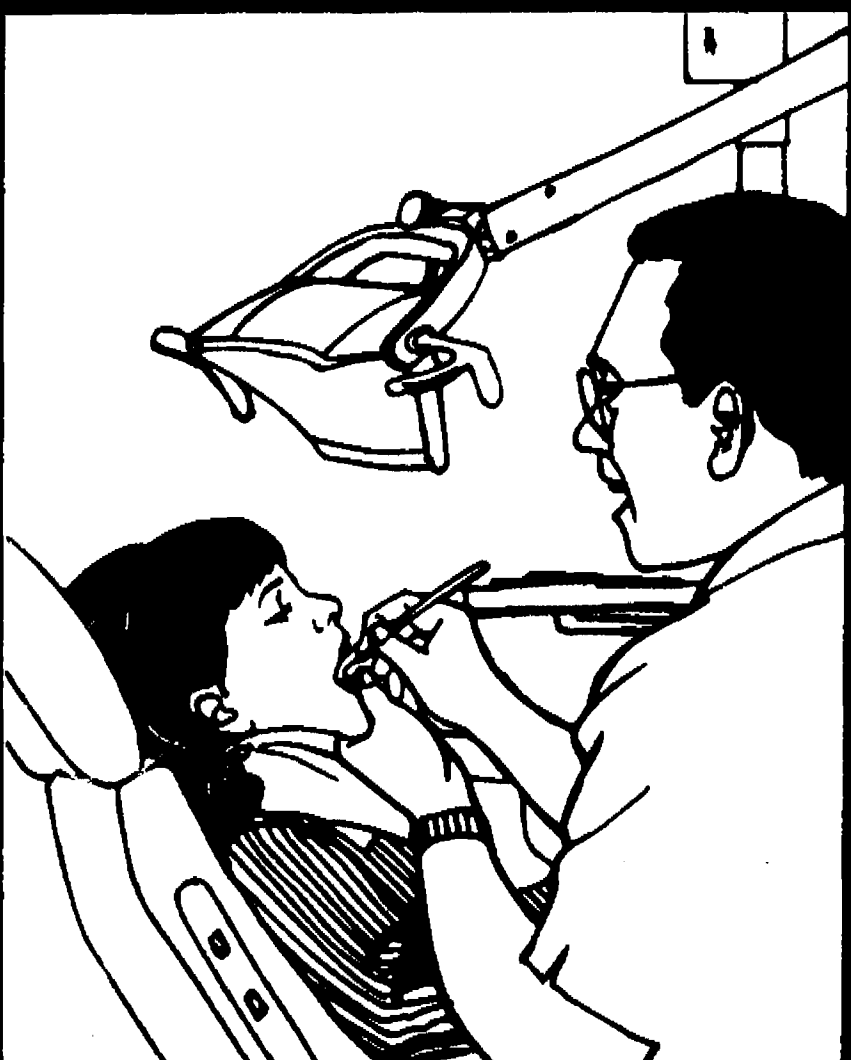
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Hospice volunteering can be rewarding for those who help

Many people have a strong reaction when they learn that hospice uses volunteers to help with patient care. Work with terminally ill patients? That must be terribly depressing.

As most hospice volunteers will attest, hospice work is often rewarding, but rarely depressing. The volunteers know they are helping their neighbors through one of life's most difficult passages. It can be tremendously life-affirming. Hospice volunteers say the experience makes them realize how precious life is and to treasure their families and friends even more. They also share how patients and their families teach Hospice workers valuable lessons.

So what do hospice volunteers do? Many things.

They visit with hospice patients and their families, providing a listening ear and a warm heart and helping hands. Patients often find it easier to share their hopes and fears with someone who is not a relative or close friend, and volunteers fulfill that role admirably.

Volunteers help hospice families by staying with the patient for a few hours so the caregivers can take a break to run errands or just relax. Or the volunteer can run some errands, do some light housework or help with meals.

Some volunteers are "on call" to provide household repairs, lawn care or snow removal, barber and beauty care and meet similar needs. Others can drive patients or family members to appointments. Volunteers with nursing or aide training can help provide physical care for the patient.

Hospice supporters who don't feel they can work directly with patients can help in other

ways. The volunteers perform valuable, essential service with clerical tasks in the office or with bereavement support. Others work in the community to increase awareness of hospice resources and programs or to raise always needed funds for hospice care.

Anyone over the age of 16 who has a few hours a week to spare is welcome. Evening and weekend assignments are available. The training offers the tools to help people decide where they can best use their talents.

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If at any time a problem arises, the nurse-midwife can call on a physician to assist in protecting the mother and her baby.

Prescriptions for medications and/or vitamins can be written by nurse-midwives in most states, including Michigan.

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100-year old says 'just live' is secret to life

If there is one thing 100-year-old Opal Coleman can teach us, it's that you're never too old to achieve.

Opal, a resident at Mercy Manor since December 1995, was presented with her high school diploma three years ago after several adult enrichment classes. While many adults achieve this accomplishment in the later years of life, it's a safe bet not too many can compare with Opal, who earned her diploma at age 97. She celebrated her centennial birthday with daughters Vera Saunders and Marion Warner on May 2.

Born in Paulding County, Ohio in 1897, Opal was raised on a farm and later married a farmer, C. Glenn Coleman, in 1915, keeping her in the country for most of her 100 years. "When I was growing up, I used to be able to harness and hitch up a horse," she remembered.

The mother of three children (son Lloyd passed away at age 53), Opal raised her family in the Detroit area. She moved to Grayling 14 years ago where she lived alone until her

move to Mercy Manor.

Opal is a great-great-grandmother four times over, and was the oldest of five generations at a family celebration on May 5. She also has six grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Coleman's life spans several decades of innovation, and the sights she has seen become evident in conversation.

"It was a little over a mile to walk to school," she said. "When it was raining, my father would hitch up a horse to the buggy and take me to school."

She also remembers her first glimpse of that spectacular new invention, the automobile. "It had big buggy wheels. You had to crank it in the front," she said.

A "wonderful seamstress" according to daughter Marion, Opal made all her children's clothing and coats from old adult clothing. "We didn't have a lot of money on the farm," Opal said. Still, Marion said, she recalls never wanting for anything, and always having clean and mended clothing to wear.

Opal said the Manor staff treats her very well. "Living and being treated well at my age — I think I'm very lucky," she said.

As for any clues as to how the rest of us can enjoy as many vibrant and healthy years on the planet, Opal had simple advice.

"Live!" she said. "That's all I know. Do the best you can."

Women and exercise: six weeks to bliss?

Michigan State University recently concluded a study on exercise and women, and its effects on reducing body fat. The group of women in the study were secretaries from the university, ages 40-over 60, who did not participate in any regular physical activity.

The goal of the study was to determine the effects of exercise on women with sedentary lifestyles. Their body fat was measured at the beginning of the study, at six weeks, and again at 12 weeks. Half of the women were put on low fat diets and exercise. The remaining half was placed on a diet only; they did not exercise.

At the end of six weeks, the women's body fat was measured and there was no significant loss in the percent of body fat for either group. At the end of the 12 weeks they were measured again. A significant loss in body fat was noted in the group that exercised three times per week for one hour aerobically.

Researchers found that the women's bodies at six weeks had not yet become efficient in burning fat. Yet they noticed the large loss in body fat in the last six weeks when their bodies had become more efficient, or trained, at using fat as a fuel source for physical activity.

These results seem to indicate that an exercise program must be well established (greater than six weeks in duration) for the body to show significant decreases in body fat in most women. The trend, unfortunately for most people, is to stop exercising after three to four weeks when they don't see a vast improvement in their weight and physique.

People must exercise at least 20 minutes a day, three to five days per week for a minimum of 12 weeks to get the results they want. This is especially true for females because women's bodies are more efficient at storing fat than men's bodies. This doesn't mean people should stop exercising after 12 weeks; they should continue to make exercise a daily ritual.

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Mercy Health Services North's division of Dialysis, Hypertension and Kidney diseases provides renal dialysis services to patients in northern Michigan. The main center is located at Cadillac Mercy Hospital. Satellite clinics were developed in 1991 in Baldwin; and in 1993 in Manistee and Houghton Lake, to offer needed medical support to patients traveling long distances for renal dialysis treatment.

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Are you well adjusted? Stress causes problems

The vast majority of health problems you will experience in your lifetime are either caused by or aggravated by stress. The most common stress-related ailments are headaches, muscle tension, digestive distress, stomach and bowel problems, fatigue, sleeping disorders, and other various aches and pains of unknown origin.

Stress can be physical, chemical or emotional in origin. The result is always damage to a person's nervous system, particularly in the areas where the nervous system is already overloaded, irritated or damaged.

Your nervous system controls function of all the body organs, muscles and tissues. Damage to the nervous system causes malfunction.

During stressful situations your body produces enough adrenaline to get through the situation. This adrenaline also causes your heart to beat faster, resulting in an increase of blood flow while digestive abilities decrease.

The production of adrenaline is controlled by the nervous system. Excessive stress can cause muscle weakness, imbalances, spinal misalignments and nerve impingement which in turn may further hinder the body's ability to produce adrenaline during stressful times.

How can chiropractic help? Chiropractic reduces the physical damage stress can cause to a person's nervous system. When the nervous system is overloaded or the spine is traumatized by falls, accidents, poor posture, or lack of exercise, a condition called "subluxation" occurs. A subluxation is a minor misalignment of the segments of the spine

causing nerve interference and related loss of function. Chiropractors specialize in finding and correcting neurologic interference through treatments referred to as spinal "adjustments".

Handling stress is part of life. Stress only causes damage when the outer environmental stresses are greater than your resistance to them. The easiest way to handle stress is to exercise regularly, avoid high sugar and high fat foods, have a positive mental attitude and get chiropractic adjustments regularly to keep your system in shape.

Do's and don'ts to help you manage stress. Break the cycle of chronic tension and stress as often as possible. Eat right, get enough rest, and organize your life to allow for a regular exercise program. Avoid in particular caffeine, foods with a high fat and sugar content.

Create a schedule that allows time for yourself as well as the time you need to accomplish your everyday demands. Remember, keeping a balance will help you achieve your goals better than the "all work and no play" attitude.

Keeping your nervous system in optimum working order will help your body respond to stressful situations. In the interest of promoting prevention to reduce stress or on-the-job injuries and employee absenteeism, various stress or health related seminars are offered at no charge. Please feel free to call Milltown Chiropractic at 348-4560 for details.

Enjoy the summer sun safely

Summer is right around the corner, at least we hope it is. With the return of long, sunny days people are looking forward to pursuing their favorite summertime activities. Whether it be gardening, getting out for a round of golf, or waiting for that perfect catch out in the middle of a quiet Lake, people are all anticipating the return of sunny days. But, persons need to be cautious because there are dangers in those long sun-drenched days.

Most people at some time, have had a painful, blistering sunburn. As unpleasant as a sunburn may be, the ultraviolet rays of the sun pose a much more serious threat. Those UV rays are the primary cause of skin cancer. According to statistics from the American Cancer Society, skin cancer is one of the fastest growing diseases in the U.S. The American Academy of Dermatology states that 90 percent of all skin cancers appear on sun exposed skin. Skin cancer can range from easily treated basal cell carcinoma to melanoma, which can be fatal.

Unfortunately, most of the damage that was done to a person's skin was done before age 20. But, there are things that people can do now to minimize further damage. The American Academy of Dermatology recommends these six tips in order to enjoy the sunny days of summer safely:

1. Use a broad spectrum (blocks both UVA and UVB) sunscreen with a SPF of at least 15 on all exposed skin, including lips, even on cloudy days.
2. Reapply sunscreen frequently.
3. Wear a broad brimmed hat and sunglasses.
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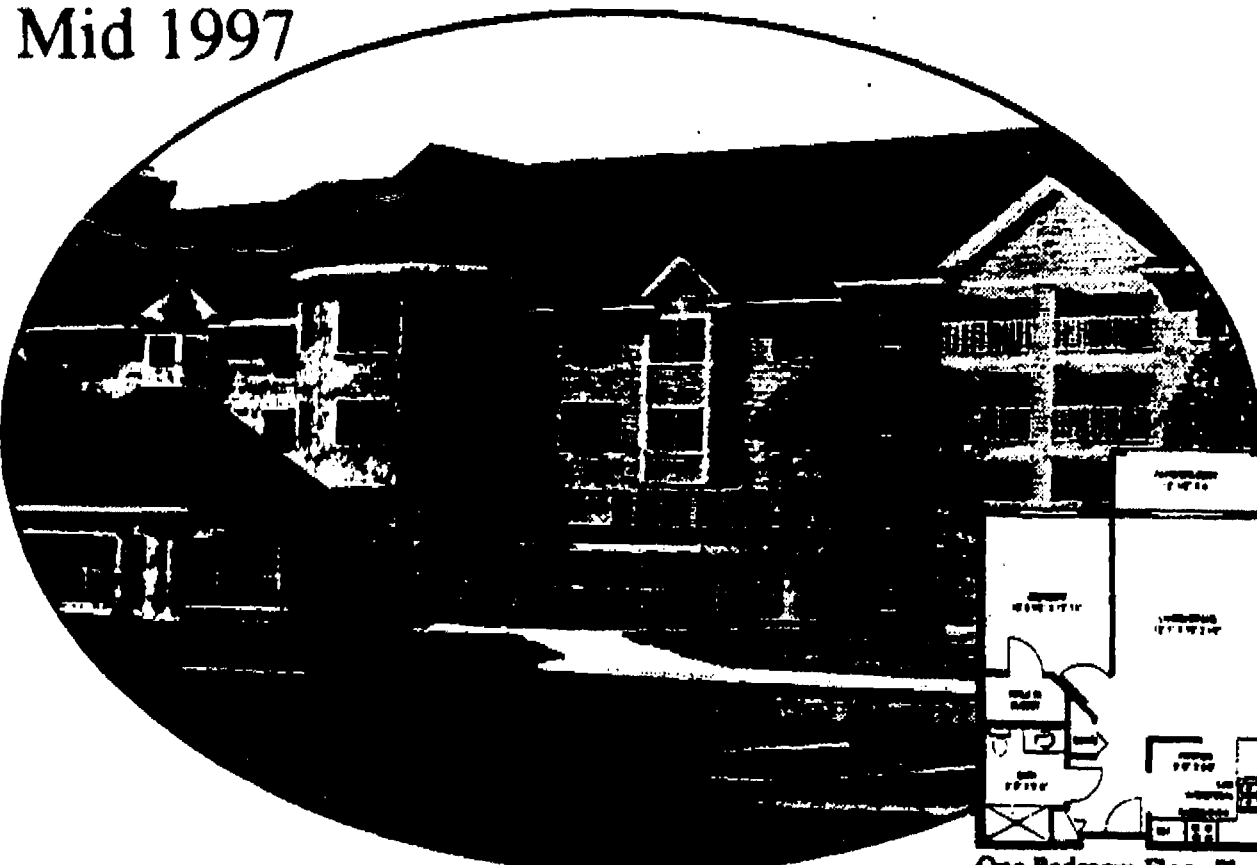
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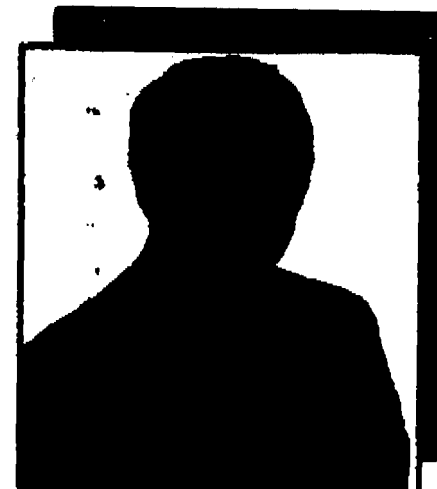
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Children act fast and so do poisons; tips given to protect youngsters from deadly event

Did you know that children can find a product and swallow it in the short time it takes to answer the telephone?

Many poisonings happen when adults are distracted, even for a brief period of time. Children act fast, so care givers must be sure that medicines, chemicals and pesticides are stored out of reach of children all the time. Locking these products whenever possible is best, since even safety packaging can be defeated by children. If fingers won't work, teeth might.

The Poison Prevention Packaging Act requires that packages be difficult for children under age five to open and obtain a toxic amount within 10 minutes. This act has made

a great impact. A recent study found 24 fewer deaths annually among children due to prescription bottle safety cap usage.

Many poisonings occur at the home of grandparents who may have removed safety caps due to difficulty in usage. Often, non-prescription medications are the cause. For example, non-prescription iron supplements are the leading cause of accidental poisonings in children under age six.

If you suspect a poisoning, call the Blodgett Regional Poison Center, which serves all of northern Michigan, at 1-800-POISON-1 (1-800-764-7661). Post this number near your telephone.

Self-help groups can help with support, comfort

Support groups are self-help groups usually organized by people who have experienced common health problems and can offer mutual support to each other. The groups can provide help with adjustment, as well as information to assist in making informed decisions.

Participants can offer emotional support to someone who has shared a similar experience. Many support groups have speakers who share their experience or expertise in an area that relates to the support group.

For many, it's helpful to meet others who have gone through a similar illness or treatment process. Sharing emotions and laughter is often consoling. And research shows that persons who attend support groups tend to adjust better and live longer when facing an illness.

Support group meetings are held in a community location such as Mercy Hospital, the local schools, or area churches. Some groups meet weekly, most meet monthly. Memberships change as needs are met, although it is important members continue in order to pass on the support and assistance that new members need.

Exercise and live longer

Avoidance of exercise may lead to early death. A study published in the July 17, 1996 edition of the "Journal of the American Medical Association" found that low fitness is an important precursor of mortality and that those who exercise, despite having dangerous risk factors, are better off than those who are apparently healthy but do not exercise.

For instance, the study found that smokers (with high blood pressure and cholesterol levels) who were moderately fit lived longer than nonsmokers who were sedentary but otherwise healthy and free of risk factors.

The study examined 25,341 men and 7,080 women over an average of eight-and-a-half years, and found that the protective effects of exercise was present in all individuals, regardless of whether they were unhealthy, obese, had high blood pressure or cholesterol levels, or risk of cardiovascular disease. Both low fitness and smoking nearly double the risk of early death for men and women, and men who were the least fit were one-and-a-half times as likely to die early as men who were most fit. Low-fit women were twice as likely to die early as their fit counterpart.

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Prostate cancer can be cured when treated early - but 33 percent already have advanced cancer at the time of diagnosis. The American Cancer Society recommends that men over 50 have annual prostatic exams. Blacks and those with a history of prostate cancer should start at age 40.

Warning signs of prostate cancer are similar to the symptoms of benign prostate enlargement without cancer:

- Weak or interrupted urine flow
- Inability to urinate, or difficulty in starting or stopping
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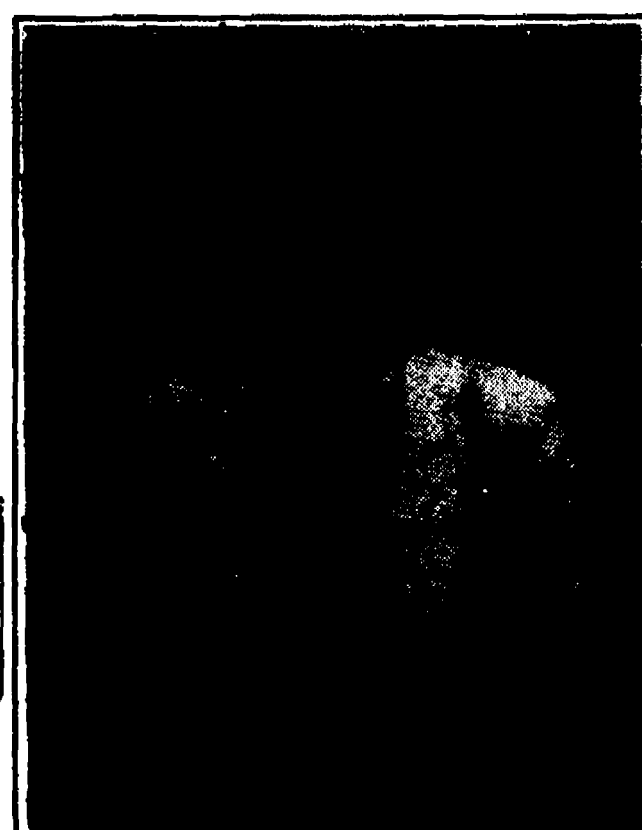
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Therapeutic touch makes comeback for health care

At a recent community health education session put on by Mercy Hospital, a group of more than 30 persons gathered to learn how they could use therapeutic touch for health and wellness in the family living. Older retired couples, young couples, men and women of all ages were eager to explore therapeutic touch as a contribution to their personal and family wellness.

Therapeutic Touch was developed by Delores Krieger, Ph.D., R.N., and Dora Kuntz at New York University in the early 1960s. There has been ongoing research and clinical applications of therapeutic and healing touch in major universities in the United States and Europe. The researcher continues to support the use of therapeutic touch as an adjunct for pain management, reducing anxiety, promoting healing and increasing the sense of love and mutual connection.

Based on this research, Mercy Hospital now offers therapeutic touch to patients who request this service on an inpatient or outpatient basis. Credentialed nurses are available to respond to the patient's and/or family's request for this service. A physician may also request this service for the patient or a nurse may recommend the service to his or her patient.

The emergence of complementary forms of health care is evident in all geographic areas of the country. The recognition of the wholeness of the universe and the interconnection of aspects of living has opened new ways of relating and of healing. Persons seeking ways to maintain their health, prevent disease and ensure comfort during the dying process are leading the way in these explorations. The health, nursing and medical

communities are providing the key aspect of disciplined research and quality controls for the integration of these new practices.

Mercy Hospital participates in this venture through individual study by practitioners and the Holistic Clinical Practice Committee that meets monthly to study various aspects of the emerging forms of complementary care available in this service area such as herbs, vitamins, massage, healthy eating habits, the relaxation response, meditation and prayer in health care settings. It is a matter of quality, of patient choice and of healing within this community.

Therapeutic touch is one form of complementary care that meets those standards.

How a good friend can help out

A good friend learns he has a serious, perhaps terminal illness. What do you say? What do you do?

Be open and honest. Too often people brush off the news with false cheer or try to pretend everything will be all right. The friend is fighting an important battle on many fronts — physically, emotionally, psychologically and spiritually. The honest concern can be a strength at this time. Be open to listening to the questions, the fears, the worries and other feelings the friend might share. The world is full of those who want to give advice. Instead, ask the friend what he/she needs, what might be most helpful.

Remember, the friend is more than his/her illness. Activities and conversation can reflect this. Take cues from the friend — allow him to teach you valuable lessons as you share this journey together. Let conversation include past, present and future discussion. Share opportunities to laugh — it's good for both of your hearts. In the midst of serious life issues, laughter can relieve stress and pain.

Allow time to just be together. Most people want to quiet their discomfort by talking all the time. Yet silence can be a blessing — and say the most of all — that it's okay to just be.

Be aware that visits and calls can be tiring. Ask when the friend would rather, and rather not, have you call or visit. Remember that shorter is also usually better.

Know that meaningful touch can be healing in it's own way. A gentle hug or handshake, a touch of the shoulder, can convey your caring sometimes more than words.

Give specific choices of what you're willing to do to help — and offer what you are really willing to do. Examples: pick up something when you go to the store; take the children on an outing; offer to bring over a meal (preferably in disposable dishes so your friend won't have to return the dish to you); give a ride to treatment. Specific offers to help like this are more often accepted.

Perhaps you know of community agencies or other resources that can benefit the patient. Ask him if you can make some calls in his behalf to gather information and then discuss the findings together. In this way you can assist your friend to be informed about choices and resources he fully deserves, but perhaps did not realize were available.

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Understanding your hip replacement

by Angus Goetz D.O.

This brief introduction to total hip arthroplasty is an attempt to answer some of the more common questions I encounter in the office. Many of you have expressed interest in the development and history of hip replacement surgery. Others have queried me concerning recent developments in orthopedics as it relates to treating arthritis; specifically advances in materials and prostheses. Still others have more specific questions concerning the need for follow-up and the durability of their particular implant. This article is an attempt to address many of those questions and it is my hope that after reading it you will possess a greater understanding of not only what a total hip replacement is; but why the procedure is performed. In the process I will touch on recent advances, follow-up and durability issues.

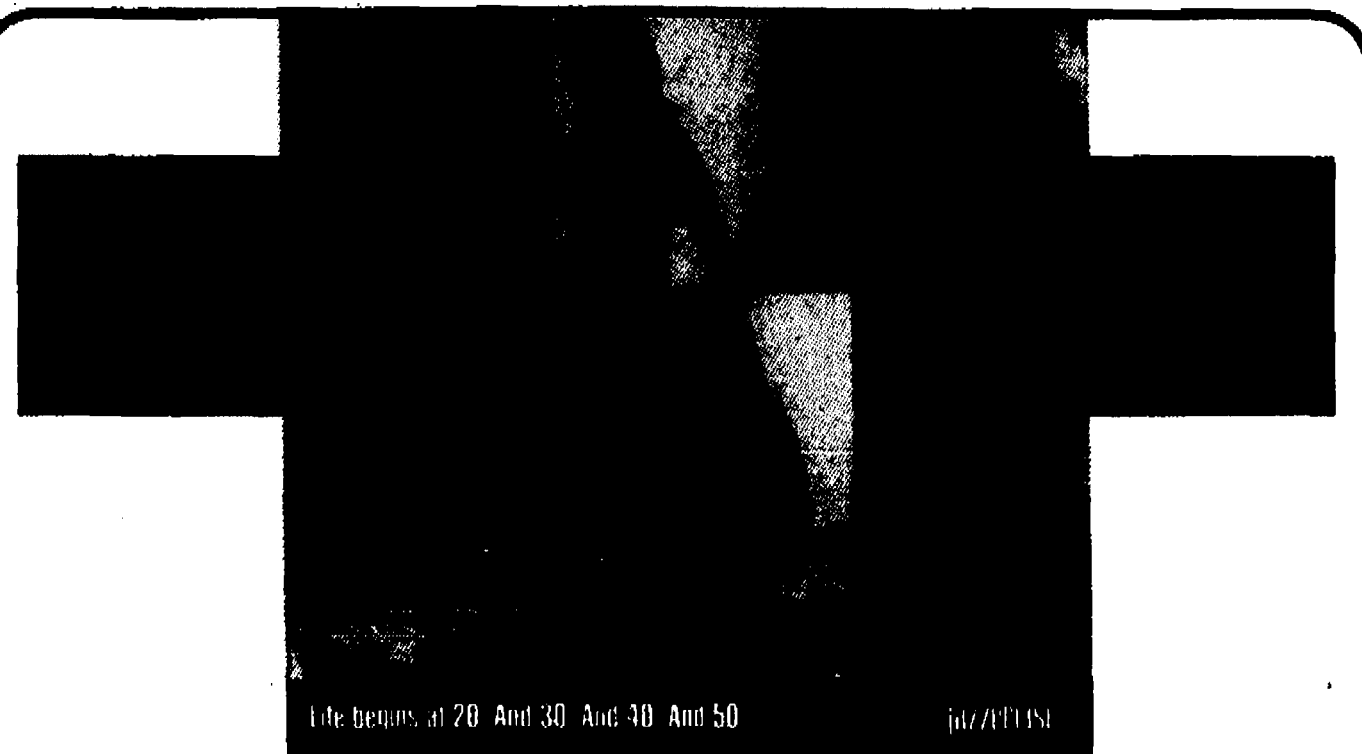
Early American and European surgeons when confronted with the patient with a painful joint had a limited arsenal at their disposal for treatment. The earliest treatment was simply resection of the diseased joint. This was modestly successful in eliminating the pain; however more often than not left the patient with limited mobility and functionality.

Advanced in surgical technique, anesthesia, and materials, sciences paved the way for more complicated solution for the patient with painful joint. Early attempts at providing relief for the person afflicted with a painful joint included interposing materials between the diseased joint surfaces. These materials included wood, tendons, metal, glass, and early plastics. While enjoying limited success, these procedures failed as the body either wore down the interposed substances, or the body rejected it causing inflammation and more pain.

An alternative treatment that is still utilized today consisted of performing an osteotomy of the diseased femur to redirect the forces from the damaged portion of the joint to areas of healthier bone and cartilage. Sometimes the acetabulum is "redirected" to try to achieve the same desired effect. This procedure has limited applicability and necessitates that the recipient has the proper anatomy to ensure its success.

Another alternative that has grown out of favor expect for very specific applications is the fusion. This is where the diseased portion of the joint is completely excised and the bones are caused to heal together. This in fact relieves the pain of arthritis in the joint, however leads to a permanently motionless joint. This causes stress on adjacent joints in the body and can lead to their deterioration.

Early surgical pioneers were instrumental in paving the way towards modern techniques. A major breakthrough in the treatment of the arthritides was the resurfacing arthroplasty. This procedure resected the diseased portion of the joint and replaced it with an artificial weight bearing surface. Imperfections in the choice and availability of joint surfaces caused many of these to fail.



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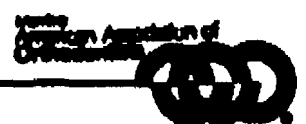
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IS THERE A MISSING ELEMENT OF YOUR HEALTH CARE?

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